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Bridport police officer sacked

A BRIDPORT police officer has been dismissed for gross misconduct. Police Constable Nigel Case was found guilty of breaching standards of professional behaviour and dismissed with 28 days notice by a panel chaired by Dorset Police's assistant Chief Constable David Lewis.

The panel heard that on July 25th 2011 PC Case carried out a search of himself on the Criminal Justice Search (CJS) and Police National Computer (PNC) database. He carried out a further PNC check on himself on September 22nd 2013. These searches were not for a policing purpose.

The officer also conducted CJS searches on seven other people between May 3rd 2013 and November 8th 2014 – all the searches were not for a policing purpose.

by **Lottie Welch**

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The panel also found a charge of PC Case telephoning one of the individuals concerned and disclosing police intelligence to them in the conversation on November 8th 2014.

A further charge of conducting searches on nine other individuals was found not proven.

ACC Lewis, the panel chair, said: "Having to dismiss PC Case was one of the saddest things I have had to do – a good officer with a fine record, which was supported by a number of character witnesses, and a well-liked and respected family man.

"However, PC Case was in a position of trust and had privileged access to computer systems that can only be used for policing purposes.

"The panel found that PC Case used the CJS and PNC databases to carry out searches on himself and other individuals which were not for any

policing purpose. He also disclosed police intelligence from one of these searches to another individual.

"Ultimately the police service has to be the home of the highest standards of behaviour and decision making; the public expects nothing less and their confidence in us depends on our acting in a way that is honest, open and beyond reproach.

"His actions were completely at odds with these standards and this has resulted in the panel's decision to dismiss PC Case with notice.

"I hope this result sends out a clear message to the public, our officers and staff that we take such misconduct very seriously and we will fully and robustly investigate such allegations."

The one-day hearing took place at Dorset Police Headquarters in Winfrith on January 20th and was heard in public.



■ THE winner of Bridport Pantomime Players' programme competition has been announced.

Ellie Ives, a 10-year-old pupil at Symondsburry Primary School, won the competition to design the programme for their next performance of 'Dick Whittington' and received her prize of a family ticket to see the show from Bridport

mayor, Councillor Sandra Brown, pictured left.

Amy Wheatley, of Bridport Pantomime Players, pictured second right, said: "Ellie's design was chosen because of its bright colours and the way she depicted Dick Whittington and his cat on the long road to London, which was beautifully silhouetted in the background.

"The attention to detail

was excellent as she also included the fairy and the rats who cause Dick a fair amount of trouble in the story of this traditional pantomime."

Also pictured are Becky Jones, third left, of Bridport Tourist Information Centre, where the presentation took place, and Sarah Pitcher, pictured right, dressed as Tommy the Cat.

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BORN in Walthamstow, East London, 22-year-old Ollie Hayes moved to Lyme Regis as a child, where he attended Mrs Ethelston's Primary School in Uplyme and Colyton Grammar School.

Ollie has recently graduated from the University of Sheffield with a first in English Literature but his real passion lies in illustration and he hopes to make a career for himself as an artist.

Ollie is the creator of the LymeZone children's comic, with stories and characters based in Lyme Regis, and is currently running an online fundraising appeal to allow him to print a second edition.

● **HOW did you first get into illustration?**

I've been doing it my whole life, really. I remember drawing my favourite cartoon characters when I was little and I just never stopped. I drew comics on and off through secondary school, just for the amusement of my friends, and I would do caricatures of the teachers. I did a dissertation on comics as part of my A-level art course, and studied cartoonists when everyone else was imitating classical painters. I got an A* in art but chose to study English at university, which I also loved.

Studying English was instrumental in making me a capable cartoonist, I think. Drawing comics is a skill closer to storytelling than it is to illustration. It was at Sheffield that I realised that drawing comics was what I wanted to do. I started drawing a weekly web-comic about student slackers, which was my first venture into serious cartooning, and made me the artist I am now.

● **WHAT inspired you to create LymeZone?**

Having tried out for national publications and getting nowhere, I decided to give it a shot making something myself. It was my dad who inspired the idea, really. He told me I should stop asking for permission to make something and just make something - try being my own boss. So I did!

I love Lyme and always have, ever since I was little. There's a lot that captures kids' imagination in this town, like the fossils and the history, so I decided to try and make a *Beano*-style comic about Lyme, which is something I would have loved as a kid. It's not just for visitors, though - part of the fun is seeing places you recognise - like Golden Cap, The Galley Cafe or The Pilot Boat - in a different, fun context.

● **TELL us a little about the comic...**

The comic was aimed at kids around 6-12, but I've seen adults get a real kick out of it too. I'd now say it's suitable for pretty much anyone. For example, one of the stories - a true tale about a dog who inspired the character of Lassie - went down a storm at The Pilot Boat, where it is set, and you can now see it printed on the back of their food menus. One of the comics can be read by literally anyone, as it has no dialogue - it shows the trials and tribulations of a seagull desperate for a pasty, in the style of good old-fashioned *Looney Tunes*-style slapstick. I'm particularly proud of the puzzles



page, where I discovered a skill I didn't know I had for thinking up creative puzzles - a maze in the shape of an ammonite's shell, for example.

As for the upcoming (bigger) issue, there are exciting things ahead. I'm currently drawing a strip in the same style as the Lassie story, but quite a bit longer, this time about the legend of the black dog of Uplyme. I've never done a scary story before, so I'm finding it really good fun. We'll see our unlucky seagull get into another pickle, and there will be a lot more of our eccentric fossil hunters, Eva Luton and Dr Tapper.

● **THE comic includes some local people - have**

people featured reacted positively?

They've all reacted very positively. Although it helps to have a funny face, really anybody can make a great comic character if you exaggerate the right parts. Anyone who has visited the Galley Cafe and met Keian will know that I didn't have to try hard to make him seem larger than life. As for the Pilot Boat, it has a fascinating history that I was happy to share in a new and different way. Although you can read about Lassie, I think it's far more effective to feel like you're actually watching it happen, which is something only film and comics can do.

● **DO you have any plans to develop the comic in future?**

If the comic keeps going down well, I hope I can make one every summer, or perhaps more. It's a lot of work so it needs to be financially viable. But I'm definitely going to be bringing out a second, 16-page issue for the summer season, which you can support by pledging money towards the production on Kickstarter. It's not a donation, you're essentially buying the comic before it's finished, and the more you give, the better rewards you'll receive including bonus comics, signed prints, and even the chance to appear as a character yourself in the comic. The Kickstarter page address is <http://kck.st/1PdhiPT>

● **ARE you inspired by other comic books or artists?**

I used to read the *Beano* every week growing up. I loved its uncompromising British-ness, which made it so much more relatable than other things like *Marvel* superhero comics. I tried to replicate that in LymeZone by creating something unmistakably local and Lyme-centric.

Visually, I take a lot from Hergé who wrote and drew *The Adventures of Tintin*. He's so precise and technically brilliant - his panels always look really detailed and really simple at the same time, which is perfect cartooning in my view. You really believe what you're seeing, even though Tintin's face is just two dots and a few lines. The Lassie comic draws heavily from Hergé's style.

Most of all, I owe almost everything to Scott McCloud. His revolutionary book "Understanding Comics" changed the way I saw the medium forever. He gave me confidence that making comics was a worthwhile pursuit, and it was after seeing him speak at the British Library in March 2015 that I really got my head down and took it seriously. He ended the talk with these four points of advice: learn from everyone, follow no-one, watch for patterns, and work like hell. So I did.

● **ARE you working on any other projects?**

I sometimes do animation, design and illustration work on the side. I recently did some graphics for The Finnish Line, a documentary coming out later this year. You can contact me at olliehayes444@gmail.com if you have a job for me.

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SHOPPERS LEFT QUEUING FOR NEARLY 20 MINUTES DUE TO NEW PARKING MACHINES

NEW car park meter systems in Bridport are still causing frustration as dozens of shoppers were left queuing for nearly 20 minutes to buy a parking ticket, **writes LOT-TIE WELCH.**

Motorists parking in Rope-walks car park behind Waitrose on Saturday (January 23rd) had a long wait to purchase a ticket as the machines, recently rolled out by West Dorset District Council, require them to enter their registration number, making it more time consuming.

The meters have been causing delays in Bridport car parks since they were installed in early 2015.

Tricia Hawkins, a Bridport resident who was caught up in the queue, said: "It was a Saturday morning, which is always dreadful in Bridport for parking. I only wanted to park for one hour but spent 18 minutes of that hour queuing – it was just ridiculous."

"Now that they have brought in these wretched machines, they could at least keep them running."

"They replaced two working machines that used to work with one that doesn't. It has been an on-going problem with the one nearest Waitrose."

"It does seem needless; we are meant to be encouraging people to come to Bridport

and this doesn't help." WDDC did not reply to the

View from Bridport before going to press.

Broadchurch chalet to be demolished



THE iconic Eype chalet made famous by the award-winning television drama series *Broadchurch* is to be demolished.

Plans to knock down the cliff-top hut in Eype Beach car park and move it further inland have been approved by West Dorset District Council, after concerns the cliff could erode and it fall into the sea.

The chalet, which was built in 1911, was used as the setting for Danny Latimer's death in the first series of *Broadchurch*, which is written by Bridport writer Chris Chibnall, and also featured heavily in the second series.

It was also used as a look-out over Lyme Bay during the Second World War.

The application was approved despite objections from Symondsburys Parish Council stating the new positioning of the chalet will reduce the number of car parking spaces and the obstruction of the footpath that runs through the car park.

Edward Dyke, partner at Symonds and Sampson who submitted the application on behalf of the owner, previously said that the "new chalet will be a replica of the current design and shape but new materials will be used".

Developer wins appeal over retirement flats

PLANS to build retirement homes in Bridport are to go ahead after developers won an appeal against an application that was refused.

Churchill Retirement Living has been granted planning permission to build 26 apartments on the former Bridport Magistrates' Court site on Rax Lane.

The planning inspector granted permission after the scheme was refused by West Dorset District Council last year.

The inspector concluded that the demolition of the magistrates court would be an enhancement to the character and appearance of the town centre conservation area.

He added that the setting of nearby listed buildings and any minor harm to other heritage assets will be outweighed by the associated benefits.

He also rejected the council's objections to the loss of trees and concluded that the scheme would not have an unacceptable impact on residential amenity.

Andrew Burgess, plan-

ning director of Churchill Retirement Living, said: "We are delighted with this decision, which endorses

our original proposals for the site and confirms that the council's objections were largely unfounded."



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PARKING machines that require motorists to enter their vehicle's registration number are still causing long queues in Bridport car parks

Job fair follows AP Chant redundancies

A SPECIAL job fair for those made redundant by AP Chant is being held at the Job Centre Plus on

West Street today (Wednesday 27th). Bridport firm AP Chant ceased trading earlier this month, leading to the loss of 95 jobs.

Best Training, which hosts recruitment fairs and training open days, offering advice on careers, jobs, interviews and CVs, will be holding the free job fair.

Sally Cooper, of Best Training, said: "A job fair has been organised as a special measure for AP Chant closing and we have a room in the job centre to provide redundancy support and information."

"It can be difficult for people who have been in continuous work as they may not have a CV geared up for internet search and employment agencies and we can offer guidance to them and skills on how to prepare for job interviews."

"So many people who are made redundant don't know where to start and it is hard to know where to go for support. Best Training will be delivering this independently to the job centre, offering services they are entitled to and getting the message out that there is help."

The group will be there from 10am to 2pm and no appointments are necessary.

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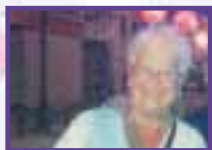
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Community fundraiser continues with sponsored challenges

AN AVID community fundraiser is at it again but this time will be cycling for hours to raise as much money as possible for a local charity.

Roz Copson, who recently undertook a sponsored silence and a rowing and swimming fundraiser, will be taking on the challenge of a four hour spinathon, setting up a static spinning bike in Bucky Doo Square and cycling throughout the afternoon to raise money for the Living Tree cancer support group.

Ms Copson said: "I am aiming to do four hours with five or 10 minute breaks each hour and, similar to the sponsored silence, I have never done a spinathon before but I have a push bike to help me train.

"I am a little bit scared, I have just got to complete it and break past the barriers so I can carry on, come rain or shine."

She will be raising money for the Living Tree cancer self-help support group in Bridport which is open to any cancer patients from West Dorset, East Devon and South Somerset.

Ms Copson added: "There are so many charities out there and one with the highest level of concern is cancer and then mental

health.

"I hope by doing this for the Living Tree it inspires other people to get on their bikes.

"I would also like to apologise to the people of Bridport and West Bay for continuing to harass them for sponsorship, to dig deep in their pockets.

"I have found this local area is full of people who believe in helping one another."

Roz Copson will be undertaking her four hour spinathon on Saturday, April 23rd in Bucky Doo Square, aiming to start around 12noon.



■ Roz Copson



■ MEMBERS of the Wessex Military Band, pictured, are reminding residents to enter their competition to name their upcoming concert. The band is already rehearsing for their next season of events and their next concert is due to take place on Sunday, May 22nd at Bridport Arts Centre but cannot be advertised until it has been given a name. To entre the competition, send suggestions to Mandy Bell at admin@wessexmilitaryband.co.uk, post entries to 93 St Swithins Road, Bridport, Dorset, DT6 5DS or call 01308 425010 by Sunday, January 31st

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Bridport family's appeal for new home

A BRIDPORT family are appealing to the local community to help them find a new house after theirs was declared unsuitable by environmental health.

Paula and David Searle and their seven children are on a race against time to find a home after the one they are currently in has been deemed unfit to live in.

They are asking members of the public if anyone has a four bedroom house they could move into as they could find themselves homeless on March 9th when they need to vacate their current property.

The family privately rent their current home of five years, but disputes with the landlord over repairs has forced them to leave.

Mrs Searle said: "It has been going on now for the best part of three and a half years, this argument about getting repairs done and he has promised us every year - 'we will do this' and 'we will do that' - and nothing gets done.

"Environmental health have now come in, shut the place down, because he is refusing point blank to do anything that they have put on the list.

"He would rather board it up and leave it empty than do anything, which is fine, but it has put us in a position now where on March 9th we have got no where to go.

"The house needs re-plumbing

by **Lottie Welch**
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throughout, new electrics, all the floorboards upstairs are either non-existent or so decayed you stand on them and fall through, the beds go through the floorboards.

"All the windows need replacing, it is absolutely mold ridden, we have ceilings falling down, the walls need to be re-rendered and we have woodworm."

Paula and David Searle, who works as a metal fabricator, have seven children together, ranging from four-years-old to 17, and are looking for a four bedroom house with two reception rooms at a maximum cost of £1,000 per month.

Mrs Searle added: "At the end of the day we have got to have somewhere to live. My husband works full time; we are not sitting on our backsides sponging every benefit

known to man.

"I am getting worried because we have got seven children and us two, and we're going to be sitting on a park bench somewhere on March 9th. We are finding it totally impossible to find anywhere.

"The council [West Dorset District Council] are saying that because we are private tenants and not on the council housing register there is nothing they can do.

"The minimum they can put us in is a five bed house, but they don't have a five bed house.

"I know there are so many people out there with properties that don't go through estate agents, like farmers that have got acres and acres of land that have properties that they do rent these out but normally through word of mouth.

"Does anybody know of anybody that has a four bedroom house because of the size of our family it does have to be a minimum of four bedrooms and two receptions."

Anyone who can help the Searle family are encouraged to call Paula on 07706 503802.

Waytown wassail night

DORSET Nectar Cider are hosting a wassail night at their orchard in Waytown, just outside of Bridport, on February 6th.

There will be a bonfire, hot mulled cider and apple juice, and burgers with hopes for musicians for entertainment.

Visitors are invited to bring pots, pans and drums to make a lot of noise to scare the evil spirits away and ensure a good harvest of fruit.

It is free entry but donations will go to the Make Some Noise foundation, which was established to fund pediatric cancer research.

Leisure centre to stay... for the time being

BRIDPORT Leisure Centre will stay open for the immediate future following a scrutiny committee meeting at West Dorset District Council.

Members of Bridport Town Council and the board of trustees at the leisure centre spoke at the meeting and explored the council to give them more

time, which has now been granted.

Bridport councillor Ros Kayes, who also sits on the scrutiny committee, told the *View from Bridport*: "There was an agreement to set up a working party which would involve the leisure centre and councillors - of which I am one - in looking at future ways of mak-

ing funding sustainable.

"In the meantime, an interim arrangement will make sure that the pool stays open in the immediate future.

"A good outcome for now - but, I am looking for long term guarantees as well. Interim measures are not enough."

Broadchurch writer gets Doctor Who showrunner job

BRIDPORT writer Chris Chibnall, creator of Broadchurch, will take over one of the BBC's most popular shows, Doctor Who.

Chibnall will replace current showrunner Steven Moffat at the world's longest running sci-fi show in 2017.

Mr Chibnall said: "Doctor Who is the ultimate BBC programme - bold, unique, vastly entertaining, and adored all around the world, so it is a privilege and a joy to be the next curator of this funny, scary and emotional family drama.

"I have loved Doctor Who since I was four-years-old, and I am relishing the thought of working with the exceptional team at BBC Wales to create new characters, creatures and worlds for the doctor to explore."

Mr Moffat, who has been in the role since 2010 said it took "a lot of gin and tonic" to convince Chibnall to take on the role.

He said: "I am beyond delighted that one of the true stars of British television drama will be taking the Time Lord even further into the future.

"At the start of season 11, Chris Chibnall will become the new showrunner of Doctor Who - and I will be thrown in a skip."

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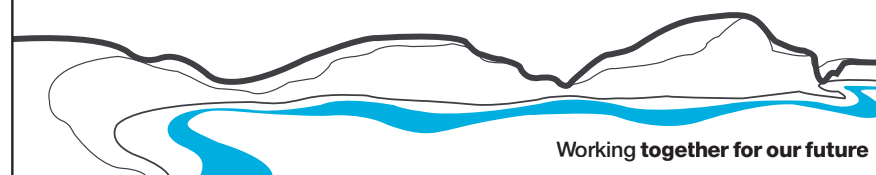
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The owners of Lyme Bay Auctions in Seaton are looking forward to their first sale of 2016 when they will be auctioning a fabulous Armstrong Siddeley vintage car.

Phil Atkins, saleroom manager, said: "We are very excited to have been asked to auction this fantastic and very rare car.

"Its previous owner has carried out considerable restoration work but there is plenty still to do for a vintage car enthusiast."

The Armstrong Siddeley 'Twelve Plus' two-door sports coupe was built in 1936 and the engine was professionally rebuilt in Coventry in 1998.

It features a pre-selector gearbox, once famous for enabling the tagline 'Cars for the daughters of gentlemen'!

Phil continued: "The Siddeley reflects the huge variety of items that we are receiving for auction. Our monthly sales go from strength to strength and we are very excited to see what treasures this year brings."

The auction estimate for the Armstrong Siddeley is £5,000 to £7,000. It will be part of Lyme Bay Auctions' general sale on Monday, February starting at 10am

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Bridport under water

HEAVY rain left many parts of Bridport and Beaminstor flooded last week as rivers burst their banks.

Flood warnings were issued by the Environment Agency with the rivers Brit, Simene, Asker, Mangerton and Bride being effected.

Over 15mm of rain was reported to have fallen in three hours causing river levels to rise consid-

erably, and firefighters from Bridport Fire Station having to assist a resident in Pine View in diverting water away from the property using a portable pump.

Woodswater Lane in Beaminstor was closed by police after the River Brit overflowed, making the ford impassable.

Two football games in Bridport had to be can-

celled due to the Bees football pitch and St Mary's pitch being flooded.

Flooding also affected the fields around West Bay, the allotments in Skilling and behind the medical centre and Vearse Farm with residents raising their concerns over plans for 760 homes to be built on the site just outside the town centre.



■ PICTURED ABOVE (clockwise from top left): Vearse Farm, the site proposed to build 760 homes, also flooded last week (photo by Rosie Mathisen); heavy rain caused a rise in water levels causing rivers to burst their banks (photo by Tim Russ); fields around West Bay, including the Melplash Showground, were also flooded (photo by Denise Pumford)



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Let's appreciate the good things in life

■ DESPITE the weather and the international climate of doom and gloom, January gives those of us who live and work in Bridport a chance to appreciate the good things our town gives us.

So, I would like to say a big thank you to all the small business owners and shop proprietors who are putting their faith in the people of Bridport by updating, refurbishing and generally improving their businesses and shop premises.

Just a quick walk around the town and you see three shops briefly closing for extensive refurbishment. At least four shops in South Street have renewed and smartened their frontages in the last year, two or three businesses have changed hands and welcomed new management, and even the bigger premises left bare by the demise of larger businesses are now showing signs of life.

This demonstrates a confidence in the future of the town.

We get visitors from Dorchester, Weymouth and further afield who love to shop here because there is so much on offer, and they appreciate

the huge variety of small shops that give Bridport its unique and immensely valuable ambience.

I would also like to say a big thank you to all the customers; you visit the shops, buy the goods and the businesses can't keep going without you.

We hope you appreciate the variety and quality of the goods available, as well as the friendliness and expertise of the staff.

Life's not always cheaper on the internet and we hope you will continue to value our contribution to the local community and our commitment to the town and spend your hard-earned money accordingly.

At least pop in and see us, you may be pleasantly surprised!

So let's be optimistic in 2016. Bridport is a great place to be and by working together we'll be able to keep it that way!

DEBBIE BOND,
Peach Electrical, Bridport

The views expressed in letters are those of the author and not necessarily of this newspaper

An open letter to the leader of WDDC

■ DEAR Council Leader Alford: I note that you have not responded to my offer to meet with you at your convenience to try to resolve this issue without further ado.

I will therefore write this open letter to you. If you believe the evidence we've provided (6,115 versus 38 electors being in favour of the 'Committees' system) is an insufficient indicator to convince you the electorate will vote in May for a return to the 'Committees' system, why not put your belief to doing a brief survey yourself?

Ask a few of your staff to go out into the community and, with a totally open mind, see whether people believe strongly in staying with the 'Cabinet' system, or moving to a more representative 'Committee' system.

If the response in favour of the status quo is low –

we found it to be under one percent – it makes sense not to waste money on a referendum.

In discussion with the Department of Communities and Local Government (and with us at Public First co-operating with you), you may move to the new system voluntarily as they did in Canterbury.

That way you will avoid frittering away another £95,000 that could alternatively be spent on community services, youth clubs, or assistance for the disabled.

If, however, you were to get a response in favour of the 'Cabinet' system you may wish to proceed. If you don't take this reasonable step, then frankly you are throwing our money away.

I look forward to your response.

CLIVE A. STAFFORD SMITH,
Chairman, Public First Group

Let's improve on what we have - not lose it!

■ WE are incredibly lucky here in that we have fantastic sports facilities and meeting places, such as Bridport Leisure Centre and the youth club, and I truly believe we should not let the powers that be take these away from us.

Over the decades the area has greatly improved by people who have put their all into standing up for other people who can't themselves.

If we lose the youth centre it is not just a loss for the youths of the town, it will also be for the other groups there.

The Moving On group, with which I have been involved for many years, is a great meeting place and well looked after and well used building.

It is equipped with a kitchen where we can cook

products from local suppliers, leading to healthy eating.

It helps people who mainly live on their own and they find that purpose in life, and that is being encouraged by the people who manage this area.

Cancer and mental health are very demanding and debilitating and can be a part of your life for many years, personally and emotionally, so why pose a threat of closing the premises that are so well used to its full potential.

From a personal point of view, I think we should keep what we have here and improve it not lose it.

ROZ COPSON,
West Bay resident

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Local building firm's site manager wins national award

THE site manager of a Bridport-based building firm has been recognised with a national award.

Steve Walker of C G Fry and Son Ltd was announced as the overall winner at the National House Builder Council (NHBC) 'Pride in the Job' Supreme Awards held earlier this month, beating off competition from around 15,000 others.

Mr Walker said: "I was overjoyed when I heard my name read out as the supreme winner in our category, but I couldn't have achieved it without a great team behind me.

"Receiving this prestigious award and being publicly recognised by the

highest respected NHBC is very much as a result of the ethos of C G Fry and Son as a company and its reputation for consistently building quality homes with attention to detail."

Mr Walker commenced as site manager at Poundbury in October 1993, working with The Duchy of Cornwall.

He won the award for the North East Quadrant of the Poundbury estate.

Philip Fry, managing director of C G Fry and Son Ltd, said: "This is the sixth year in a row that C G Fry has been a finalist, two years ago Steve was a runner-up and now he has gone one better!

"This is such a great accolade for not only Steve but all of his team and the

whole company.

"To get selected as number one from the thousands that enter is a fantastic achievement.

"We will continue to strive to ensure we remain one of the best builders in the country as we take the company forward."

Pride in the Job is the house-building industry's most prestigious awards programme.

It recognises the UK's best site managers who achieve the highest standards in house-building.

The judging process lasts 11 months to ensure that site managers are assessed at every stage of the build.

Kevin Murch, construction director of C G Fry and Son Ltd, said: "When Steve's win was announced, I couldn't help but jump for joy!

"Winning the Supreme Award 2015 is fantastic and means so much to Steve and all the team at C G Fry and they do a first class job at Poundbury.

"The NHBC 'Pride in the Job' awards are one of the few things in our industry that reward the very best of the site

managers for their hard work in producing quality homes, sometimes under very challenging conditions and ever changing legislation.

"I would like to congratulate Steve and the whole team, including all of the sub-contractors on site, in achieving this Supreme Award – the next challenge is how do we better this?"

For more information on the NHBC visit www.nhbc.co.uk

Still time to take part in sustainability survey

WEST Dorset residents are being reminded that there is still time to take part in the Communities Living Sustainably in Dorset (CLS) survey to be in with the chance of winning a £50 voucher for the Real Food Shop.

CLS, which is supported by the Big lottery Fund, aims to help people adapt to climate change and become more environmentally friendly.

The survey, which repeats similar ones in 2014 and 2015, explores what people think and do about climate change and the environment and the group want to hear from as many local people as possible.

Around three quarters of those who responded to the 2015 survey felt they were well informed about climate

change and had a good understanding of how to be environmentally friendly.

Many felt that they were more environmentally friendly than they had been in the previous year with some saying this was due to being involved with activities run by CLS.

Emily Bullock, greener choices co-ordinator for CLS, said: "It is really encouraging to see that many people are taking action to look after the environment and that many would like to do even more.

"There is plenty of room for improvement though, while many do easy actions like turning off the tap while brushing their teeth, there is lots of room for improvement in terms of turning down the heating, driving less, in-

sulating walls and roofs, and fitting water saving devices.

"These are clearly more difficult but they also make a big difference and save more money and energy."

The survey is open until January 31st and can be found at <https://goo.gl/2eeb11> and hard copies are available from emily@da21.org.uk or 07507 321954.

All those who take part in the survey will have the option to enter a free prize draw to win a free prize draw to win a hamper of local food provided by the Real Food Shop, a mobile shop providing fruit, vegetables, dairy and meat products produced by a co-operative of small holders in West Dorset, South Somerset and East Devon.



■ SITE manager for C G Fry and Son Ltd Steve Walker (bottom right) has won the National House Building Council 'Pride of the Job' Supreme Award for 2015. Pictured here with some of the team at C G Fry at the national awards ceremony earlier this year

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Bridport illustrator gains international accolade

A BRIDPORT illustrator has been given an international award for his animation for VH1.

Paul Blow, who has a studio at St Michael's Trading Estate, won the Society of Illustrators Gold Award for his visual work in an animation for VH1 in the US.

Mr Blow was approached by the television network to do the illustrations in

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an animation, which he then entered in the society's annual award exhibition.

Mr Blow said: "VH1 wanted me to illustrate the story of Tony Iommi, the lead guitarist of Black Sabbath, and how he

invented heavy metal, narrated by the man himself.

"The VH1 team handled the script and the animation while I came up with the look and feel of it.

"It came out last year to coincide with Tony's birthday and according to his Facebook page he enjoyed it immensely.

"I then entered the animation into the

Society's annual award exhibition in its 58th year and won the gold medal! So on January 8th, my wife Suzanna and I travelled to New York to receive the award.

"It feels great to win my first award in the US, it is an international award open to all professionals."

The exhibition, which is open to artists worldwide, attracts thousands of en-

tries and features over 400 pieces which are selected by leading contemporary illustrators.

The exhibition is being held at the Museum of American Illustration until January 30th.

The Society of Illustrators is an organisation dedicated to promoting the art of illustration, holding exhibitions of works created throughout each year.



BRIDPORT illustrator Paul Blow has won the international Society of Illustrators Gold Award for his animation on Black Sabbath lead guitarist Tony Iommi for VH1

West Dorset group named council chairman's Charity of the Year

A LOCAL mental health charity that helps people in West Dorset has received a donation of over £600 from West Dorset District Council.

Dorset Mind has been chosen as Councillor Peter Shorland's chosen charity for his term as district council chairman and it received £636.28.

Nick Lee, a representative from Dorset Mind, was invited to a cheque presentation at the district council's full council meeting earlier this month.

He said: "It was great to receive the cheque from the district council. We are really pleased to be the chairman's charity.

"The money received will go towards the expansion of our

services in the district.

"We are committed to establishing ourselves in Dorchester, and then hope to further expand to Bridport and Sherborne in due course, so that we can best support West Dorset residents who may need help with mental health and wellbeing."

The £636.28 given to Dorset Mind was raised from a carol service at Sherborne Abbey which Cllr Shorland hosted.

Cllr Shorland, West Dorset District Council chairman, said: "The reason I have chosen



CLLR Peter Shorland (right) West Dorset District Council chairman, presented Nick Lee (left) of Dorset Mind, his charity of the year, a cheque for £636.28

Dorset Mind as my charity is because I wanted to be able to contribute to a local mental health charity.

"I chose Dorset Mind because they help and support local residents of all ages who may be suffering with mental health."

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New chairman and president for the Melplash Agricultural Society

THE Melplash Agricultural society has elected a new president and chairman.

Rebecca Knox, Dorset county councillor for the Beaminster ward, was named president of the society for 2016 at their recent annual general meeting, taking over from Richard Campbell, while Will Frost takes over the role of chairman from Brigadier John Dean.

Mrs Knox was brought up at Pilsdon Pen, overlooking the Marshwood Vale in West Dorset and has been an active member of the community through her work as councillor and governor for two schools in Beaminster.

Last year, she played a role in acquiring a class-

room from Dorset County Council for the society's Discover Farming project, which is based at Washpool Farm.

Mrs Knox said: "I am thrilled to become to president of the society and to have the opportunity to help spread the word.

"Countryside is at the core of our community, a thriving natural environment providing the everyday needs of us all, locally produced food, healthy and happy livestock with the welfare of all at its heart.

"The Melplash Agricultural Society, and in particular the Melplash Show, celebrates all that is good about rural life in West Dorset. It gives farmers and food producers a platform for showcasing their skills and expertise and allows us, the general public, chance to enjoy and gain an understanding of what farming is about and how it continually evolves to meet our needs and that of the economy - I can't wait to be part of it."

The society's new chairman Mr Frost has been working alongside Brigadier John Dean as vice-chairman for the last two years.

He farms with his dad Tim and manages the Forde Grange Goat Dairy at Thorncombe after they moved out of



■ DORSET county councillor Rebecca Knox (left) takes over as president of the Melplash Agricultural Society from Richard Campbell (right)

Holstein Friesian cows in the 1990s and switched to dairy goats. They now have 2,500 milking goats.

Mr Frost said: "As a farmer the Melplash Show and the annual ploughing and hedgelaying match are always important dates in the diary, I feel very honoured to be the new Chairman.

"My intentions are to work hard promoting what the Society does and to carry on the good work that John Dean has championed during his time as Chairman, namely increasing the membership of the Society and encouraging more young people to attend the Show and take part in all the wonderful activities and experiences it has to offer."

Bridport Community Fair

THE annual Bridport Community Fair will be returning to the town hall next week with a range of organisations attending.

It is an opportunity to find out about Bridport and West Bay events and activities for 2016, to pick up a copy of the events calendar and to meet representatives from the towns activity, interest and support groups.

All organisations are invited to attend, to network and bring posters for the information wall. There will also be a fliers table available.

This year, stands include, Bridport Camera Club, South West Dorset LETS, Bridport Heritage Forum, Vision 2030 - the group behind the Bridport Neighbourhood Plan - The Living Tree, Bridport Local Area Partnership (BLAP), Transition Town Bridport, Volunteer Centre Dorset and Bridport Town Council.

The fair takes place on Saturday, February 6th from 9am to 2pm and in Bucky Doo Square - weather permitting - there will be music from local bands Tinkers Cuss at 10am and Acoustic rooster at 11.30am.

Waterstones to hold Harry Potter afternoon

THE team at Waterstones in Bridport are holding a Harry Potter afternoon at the store on East Street on Thursday, February 4th and are inviting parents to bring in their children for a quiz, readings and spells.

They will be at the back of the store in the children's section and those who attend are encouraged to dress up but it is optional.

They will be reading short passages from the Harry Potter books with children having the opportunity to read their favourite passages or few pages or they can read it out for them.

The event takes place between 3.15pm and 5.30pm on Thursday, February 4th.



■ LOCAL farmer Will Frost (left) is named chairman of Melplash Agricultural Society, taking over the role from Brigadier John Dean (right) after two years as vice-chairman



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■ **JAMES Stenner and three-year-old Monty Stenner** get the opportunity to drive one of the trains around the track

Model railway show

HUNDREDS of people flocked to the popular winter exhibition of the Bridport and District Model Railway last Saturday.

The club, along with enthusiasts up and down the country, displayed dozens of different railway layouts, accompanied by trade and information stalls.

Their first exhibition of the

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year included the clubs own layouts of West Bay and Maiden Newton, a child friendly layout in which children could control a train around a track, and an

information board on the history of British military train 'The Berliner'.

Douglas Beazer, a member of the Bridport and District Model Railway Club, said: "The club is thriving well, the membership has increased and we are getting members from quite far away, including Axminster,

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■ **WEYMOUTH club member Roy Hounsell** with his Range End layout



■ **DEREK Spencer**, a member of the Bridport and District Model Railway Club, with the club's Maiden Newton layout

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"We are going from strength to strength, we regularly have 15 members each week when we meet.

"It is nice to share the layouts with people, we are not afraid to help people with questions and show them what we have done.

"We are very grateful for everyone who came down. Without the pub-

lic the exhibition is not much and the exhibitors spent a lot of time getting ready for this."

■ **LEFT:** The West Bay layout attracted lots of interest at the exhibition

■ **RIGHT:** John (left) and David Malton with their Abbey End layout

■ **BELOW CENTRE:** Geoff Trenholme, of Bridport and District Model Railway Club, with his child friendly layout that allows them to drive one of the trains around the track

■ **BELOW RIGHT:** Member Douglas Beazer with his information display on the British military train 'The Berliner'



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Owner of The Salon in Charmouth, Louise Thresher, and her staff are celebrating 10 years in business this month.



Louise bought the already established hair salon, based on The Street in Charmouth, in 2006, taking on a lot of existing customers and has since built up her own loyal clientele.

She said it's great to be celebrating her tenth year in business, having managed to ride out the recession which hit shortly after she bought The Salon.

"Being in Charmouth we really have the full support of the local community behind us, and we would like to thank our clients for all their support," she said.

All of The Salon's clients are invited to join Louise and staff for a tenth anniversary party on Saturday, January 30th between 6pm and 8pm, where drinks and nibbles will be on offer.

The Salon is open to women, men and children of all ages and offers all hair services, including cutting, styling, colouring and perming. They also offer a number of beauty treatments such as manicures, pedicures and gel manicures using OPI nail polish and IBD gel polish, eyebrow shaping and eyebrow and eyelash tinting.

Alongside Louise, The Salon's team includes one further full-time stylist, two part-time stylists, and a junior stylist who share a wealth of experience and all undergo regular training to ensure they are kept up-to-date with the latest trends and skills.

Staff use top quality colours and styling products from the Paul Mitchell Haircare range, some of which are also available to buy in store, along with some L'Oréal Professionnel colours.

The Salon offers special discounts to students and senior citizens, as well as new client welcome packs with special offers, colour loyalty cards and "recommend a friend" discounts.

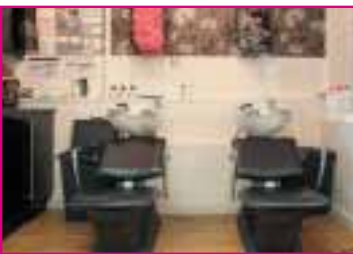
As well as having some free parking available on its forecourt, The Salon takes part in Charmouth Traders' parking scheme, in which customers can receive a refund on car park charges if they spend over a certain amount.

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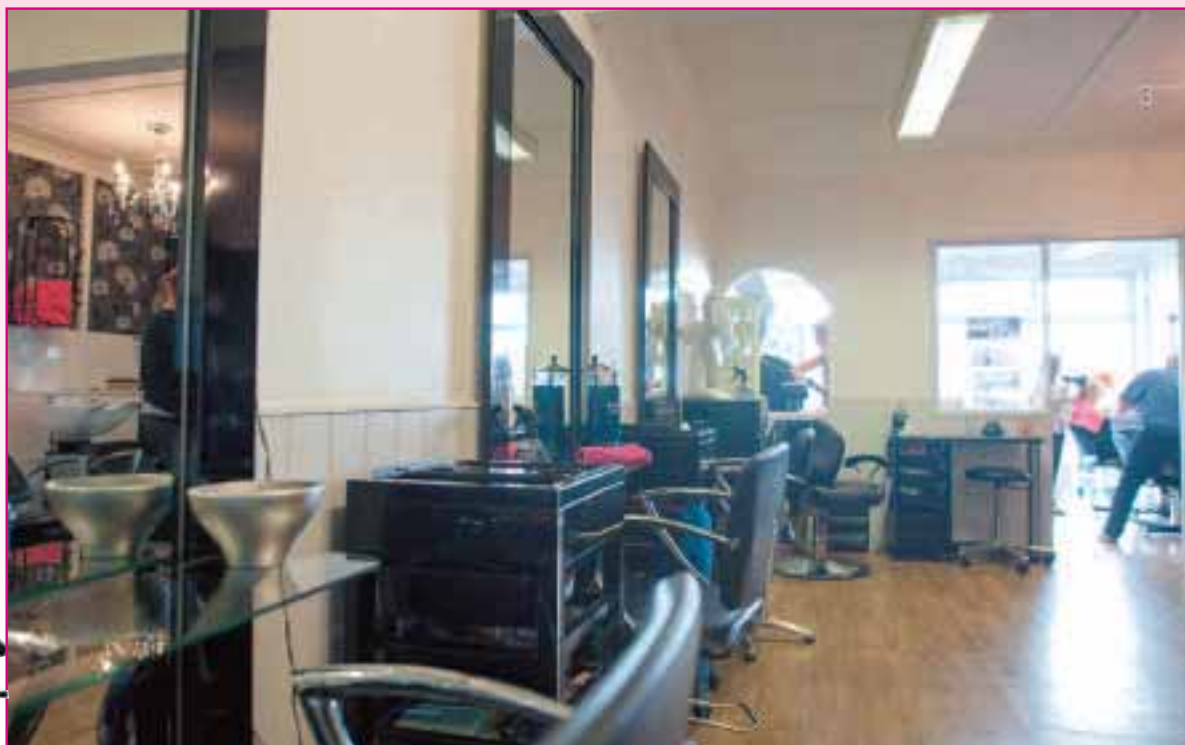
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Hang glider injured in beach crash

EMERGENCY services were called on Saturday, January 23rd, to reports of a hang glider that had crashed near East Cliff, West Bay.

West Bay Coastguard and South Western Ambulance Service attended the scene at around 2pm and treated the 48-year-old male who appeared to have facial injuries but nothing immediately life-threatening.

A spokesperson for West Bay Coastguard said: "It was reported that the hang glider, who had taken off from Burton Bradstock, lost lift and rapidly descended around 50 feet, hitting the beach near the base of East Cliff.

"The coastguard officers helped package and transport the casualty to the waiting ambulance and also helped dismantle the hand glider.

"The casualty was then transported to Dorset County Hospital in Dorchester for onward care and treatment."

A spokesperson for South Western Ambulance Service said: "We were called around 1.50pm to one 48-year-old male who had head and face injuries.

"He was conscious and breathing and was taken to Dorset County Hospital."

Police report

POLICE are appealing to witnesses and anyone with information on the following crimes to contact them on 101.

In the early hours of Monday, January 25th, police received reports of intruders on the premises of a local car dealership on the St Andrews industrial estate in Bridport.

Officers were on the scene within two minutes of the call and the two offenders fled the scene.

They are described as males in their twenties, one wearing a hooded top and one with a backpack.

A spokesperson from Bridport Neighbourhood Policing Team, said: "A set of wheels had been removed from a vehicle at the site but had to be abandoned by the offenders in their hasty departure to avoid capture at the scene.

"They fled into the industrial estate empty handed. The prompt 999 phone call from a concerned member of the public undoubtedly thwarted their attempts to steal from a local business."

Overnight from 8pm on Tuesday, January 20th until 8am the following morning, a black Renault Clio parked overnight at Brydian Mews in West Street, Bridport, sustained damage to the driver's side including the door lock which is possibly as a result of being kicked by an unknown offender.

Between January 6th and being reported on January 18th, an unoccupied dwelling in Beaumont Avenue was burgled by an unknown offender.

Entry was gained by the side gate to the rear of the property where the patio window was smashed.

The offender entered the property and carried out an untidy search of the premises.

Bridport equine student fundraises for Taylor's RSCPA

KINGSTON Maurward equine student Sophie Bruton has made her first foray into fundraising for Taylor's RSCPA centre, which is based at the college campus.

The eighteen year old animal lover from Bridport felt strongly about raising funds for the charity and took it upon herself to sell handmade cards, loom band cats and dogs, mince pies and cakes for Christmas – all made by Sophie and her grandmother.

Active member of Student Council, Sophie, said: "Taylor's RSPCA holds a special place in my heart as several of my family's pets have been here, and I admire what they do, so I wanted to raise money for such a worthy cause."

Sophie, who is currently studying for a Level 1 diploma and intends to move on to the Level 2 diploma in Equine in September, is setting the wheels in motion for further fundraising with fellow equine students over the next few months.

Sophie Simmonds, from Taylor's RSPCA, said: "As we are self-funded we are always delighted to receive donations both large and small for our animals. Whether it's for toys, food or equipment, all the funds go straight to the animals so we are very proud of Sophie and incredibly grateful for her efforts."

For more information go to westdorsetrspca.org/taylors.htm or call 01305 259672.



■ L-R: KMC Student Services Co-ordinator Angela Taylor, Sophie Bruton with Sharpie the cat, Cara Watts and Sophie Simmonds from Taylor's RSPCA

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Pop-up fundraiser for 'Clock'

TWO local chefs, Alison Smith and Kieran Mason, will be holding a fundraising pop-up restaurant at The Half Moon in Melplash to raise funds for the Save Our Clock Campaign (SOCC) to rebuild the Clockhouse Inn in Chideock.

The evening takes place on Monday, February 8th and the pair will serve a five course tasting menu and homemade breads, canapés and petit fours.

Dishes will include pork belly and tenderloin with celeriac, apple and sorrel and chocolate and hazelnut delicie with malt ice-cream. A vegetarian alternative menu is available.

The menu is priced at £42.50 per person, with all proceeds going to SOCC and There will also be an auction in aid of the appeal; bids may be made in advance by visiting the SOCC Facebook page.

Starting her career at the Riverside Restaurant, West Bay, Alison has been Sous Chef at

The Half Moon, Melplash for four years - firstly under Dan and Jen Clarke and now under the management of Karl and Susie Bashford.

Kieran has been an apprentice chef at Brassica, Beaminster since September 2014 and is studying at Exeter College. Last year he was awarded the

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■ LOCAL chefs Alison Smith (pictured) and Kieran Mason will be holding a fundraising pop-up restaurant at The Half Moon in Melplash next month

CAB funding protected but arts centres set to lose grants

WEST Dorset District Council funding for the area's Citizens Advice Bureaux have been protected – but arts centres in Dorchester and Bridport will almost certainly lose grants from the council.

The council has dropped proposals that would have affected funding to Citizens Advice Bureaux in Dorchester, Sherborne and Bridport.

The move recognised the increased workload the centres have – much of it caused by cuts in Government funding across a range of services.

Between them voluntary and community groups in West Dorset are likely to lose more

than £80,000 a year in funding over the next three years.

The changes will see cuts to grants of £87,253 in 2016/17, £88,931 in 2017/18 and £91,694 in 2018/19.

The proposals have yet to be agreed by the full council but if the authority backs the Executive Committee proposals, which is the usual course, the Dorchester and Bridport Arts Centres will both lose more than £30,000 and the Dorset County Museum almost £11,000 each year.

There could also be a loss of grant to West Dorset Partnership cut by £1,450 to £1,000.

Gig club to launch new kit at breakfast

MEMBERS of Bridport Gig Rowing Club will be holding their 'Oarsome Breakfast' this Sunday (January 31st) and launching their new 2016 ladies squad kit ahead of their first race at the beginning of March.

The event will be raising funds to support their squads competing in the World Pilot Gig Championships in the Isles of Scilly in May this year.

Sara Buchanan, chair of the club, said: "This is an important day for us to raise money to send our teams to the world championships, to thank all our

supporters and to showcase our new ladies squad kit.

"Bridport Gig Club is going from strength to strength and we now have nearly 150 members.

"The club offers opportunities for everyone, of all ages, to get involved. General rowing takes place throughout the year and we have a rolling programme of learn to row courses.

"Our competition teams did incredibly well last year and we will be building on our success in 2016. We now have 23 ladies in our squad and are very excited about our new kit, which

gives our teams a professional look. We would like to thank all of our current supporters.

"As a volunteer run organisation we are really grateful for all their support in helping us do what we do, to the highest possible standard."

The Oarsome Breakfast is available at the Salt House from 9am to 1pm on Sunday, January 31st.

Everyone is welcome, it costs £6 for adults and £3 for primary school children with all funds going towards gig transportation to the World Pilot Gig Championships.

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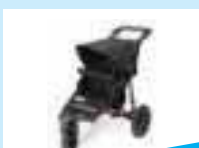
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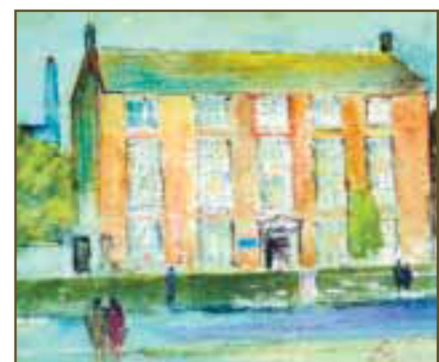
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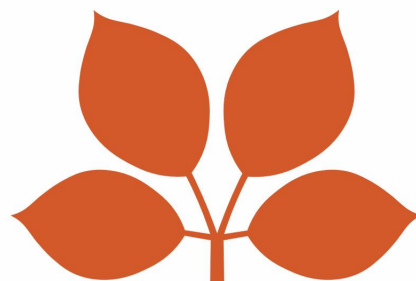
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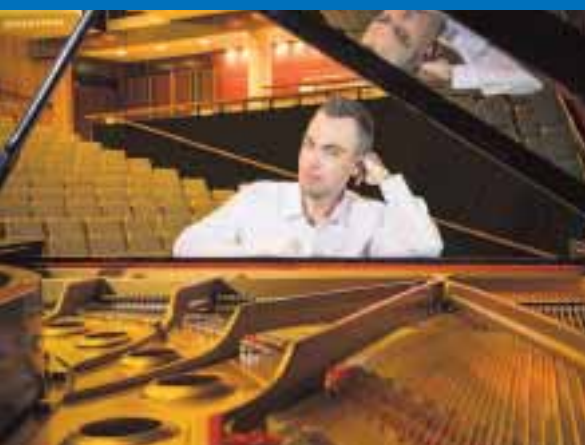
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The gigs

Friday 29 Jan
Bridport Arts Centre,
BRIDPORT

JAYWALKERS
8pm. £11 / £9

The Pilot Boat Inn,
LYME REGIS
**JESS UPTON, STEVE
WILSON AND ROBBIE
MCINTOSH**
9pm

Saturday 30 Jan
The Nag's Head,
LYME REGIS
WHITE CITY SHAKERS

The Crown Inn,
BRIDPORT
STILLYANO
9.30pm

Corn Exchange,
DORCHESTER
**DA BLUES: MICHAEL ROACH
AND JOHNNY MARS**
8pm. £13/£6 adv,
£14/£7 door.

Re-loved Vintage
& Tea Rooms/Bistro,
2 Cornhill,
DORCHESTER
**BERNARDO PLAYING
VINTAGE GUITAR**
7pm. Free entry,
booking advised
- 01305 257070.

Sunday 31 Jan
The Crown Inn,
BRIDPORT
ANSELL & GRETTEL
4pm

Saturday 6 Feb
The Nag's Head,
LYME REGIS
HALF MOON FEVER

The Crown Inn,
BRIDPORT
SKY LIZARD
9.30pm
Arts Centre,
BRIDPORT
WILLE & THE BANDITS
8pm. £12

Re-loved Vintage
& Tea Rooms/Bistro,
2 Cornhill,
DORCHESTER
**BERNARDO PLAYING
VINTAGE GUITAR**
7pm. Free entry,
booking advised
- 01305 257070.

Sunday 7 Feb
The Crown Inn,
BRIDPORT
JAMMING AT THE CROWN
4pm

Single-handedly changing the game

Exceptionally talented one-handed pianist Nicholas McCarthy to open Concerts in the West season

IN THE entire 130-year history of the Royal College of Music (RCM), there has only been one single-handed pianist to graduate. That person is the exceptionally talented Nicholas McCarthy, whose name now resonates throughout the frequently haughty world of classical music, as not just a one-handed wonder, but a musical talent of considerable standing.

Since his graduation from RCM in 2012, Nicholas has wowed audiences around the world with his mesmerising performances in top class venues ranging from The Royal Albert Hall and St Martin-in-the-Fields to The Kennedy Centre, Washington DC and South Korea.

So it is with not a little excitement that Concerts in the West's founder and director, Catherine Hodgson is welcoming Nicholas McCarthy to the West Country as the opening act for the 2016 Concerts in the West season, from February 19-20th February.

"It is incredibly difficult to play the piano left handed," explains Catherine Hodgson,

"Nicholas is an inspiration, because he has taken it to a new level. I have immense respect for him not only because of his dedication, but also for his refusal to take the easier option of the classical pop star route, in order to capitalise on his lack of a right hand. His refusal to compromise and his determination to realise his ambition has paid off and he deserves to be widely recognised.

"To play a 50-minute recital with one arm requires tremendous stamina and you have to remember that the music he plays is written for the left hand alone with nothing changed, which shows how good he is."

Born in Epsom, Surrey in 1989, without his right hand, McCarthy only began to play the piano at the relatively late age of 14, after he was inspired by a friend playing Beethoven's Waldstein Sonata.

He has been featured widely in the media, giving live performances on TV and radio shows such as BBC Radio 3, BBC Radio 4, BBC television, Channel 4 and ITV. Nicholas has been the subject of a BBC

documentary and was featured on Channel 4. In the summer of 2014 he presented two of the world famous BBC Proms on BBC4 television and the Leeds International Piano Competition in 2015.

He performed with the British Paralympic games and has recently been appointed ambassador of The One Handed Musicians Trust (OHMT).

In September 2015, Nicholas released his first album 'Solo', which received outstanding reviews and reached a top ten chart position.

Nicholas McCarthy will play at Bridport Arts Centre on Friday, February 19th, 11am-12noon. Tickets are

£10/£8 from www.bridport-arts.com or by calling 01308 424204.

Nicholas will also play at The Hub, Lyme Regis on Saturday, February 20th, 7.30pm. Tickets are £15 available from Serendip (Broad Street, Lyme Regis) or by calling 01297 442594.



Nicholas McCarthy

The venues

To advertise your live music call Rob Coombe on 01297 446146 or email rob.coombe@pemedial.co.uk

THE CROWN INN
WEST BAY ROAD, BRIDPORT

Saturday 30th January, 9.30pm
STILLYANO

Sunday 31st January, 4.00pm
ANSELL & GRETTEL

www.lemonrock.com/crowninn
Tel 01308 422037



The Nag's Head

Silver St, Lyme Regis
Tel 01297 442312

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 30th January
WHITE CITY SHAKERS

Saturday 6th February
HALF MOON FEVER

Saturday 13th February
WILLIE & KARL

Saturday 20th February
GROUECAT

Saturday 27th February
INPRINTS

www.nagsheadlymeregis.co.uk

Goth-punks Creeper bring tour to Weymouth

THE CONTINUING rise of Southampton goth-punks **Creeper** continues unabated with the February 19th release of the new EP 'The Stranger'. Their second release for Roadrunner Records UK, 'The Stranger' follows the critically acclaimed 'The Callous Heart' EP which is now entirely sold-out on vinyl.

In addition to the success of 'The Callous Heart' EP, Creeper's highlights of 2015 included tours with Frank Carter & The Rattlesnakes, The Misfits, Funeral For A Friend, Moose Blood and Twin Atlantic; and they also burst onto the festival circuit at Download, the Vans Warped Tour UK, 2000 Trees, Hevy and Camden Rocks.

'The Stranger' EP will be available on 12" vinyl and digital download formats, and can now be pre-ordered as a special package from the Roadrunner Records store which also features an exclusive new t-shirt design.

Creeper play at Finns, Weymouth on Saturday, February 20th

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Your guide to live music in West Dorset

Duncan Honeybourne to perform at Dorset Sinfonia's spring concert

DORSET SINFONIA'S spring concert will feature the resounding talent of Duncan Honeybourne playing the majestic Brahms' 2nd Piano Concerto. Duncan Honeybourne is a first class soloist who's performances can be frequently heard on BBC Radio 3. He also tutors in Piano at the University of Southampton and Sherborne School. The concert will also include Mendelssohn's Hebrides Overture and pieces by Wagner and Gounod.

The concert will be performed in the St Mary's Church, Dorchester at 7:30 on March 16th. Tickets are just £8. Children (16 and under) welcomed for free. Tickets can be purchased on the door, or close to the day, from Dorchester Tourist Information Centre. More information about Dorset Sinfonia can be found at www.dorsetsinfonia.co.uk

Papa Le Gál to Big Mix headline fundraiser

Bishco, Slinky Machine and Df Geester also on the bill

THREE SENSATIONAL local bands are coming together for what is expected to be a sell out gig, on Saturday, February 13th in Lyme Regis.

Papa Le Gál are to play in their hometown of Lyme Regis for the first time in a long while. The popular local band are headlining a fundraiser night for B Sharp's – 'Big Mix' Festival and are supported by Bishco, Slinky Machine and DJ Geester. All acts are known for their love of the groove and will be creating a real party atmosphere. The fundraiser is happening at The Hub in Lyme from 7pm till late.

Big Mix festival co-organiser and compere Pete Wild said: "We have found a great way of raising some of the funds we need to make this years Big Mix happen and that is to have another night of great music but in the winter, indoors and in a great party venue".

The Big Mix team have come together with local bands and volunteers to do some important fundraising in advance of this year's festivals on July 2nd - ticket prices are deliberately kept low to encourage local music lovers and mixed audiences particularly the young people of the area to come and experience the best in original music from young musicians and emerging artists.

Papa Le Gál's singer Grace Gillan is

"proud to support the event", saying: "It's always a delight and a pleasure to perform for The Big Mix, a brilliant local festival! Each year I'm impressed by the constant influx of new young artists, their original material and the great atmosphere".

Fellow band member and B Sharp music leader Jacques Verhaeren added, "We can't wait for Papa to play in Lyme Regis again, the place of the band's birth! The good vibes we got from everyone in the area really gave us a platform to write some party tunes, and we will always be grateful for the following we have here. It'll be nice to support so many good causes, mainly The Big Mix but also to raise awareness of B Sharp and The Hub as a great venue. I know it's going to be a great night, so make sure you are there for it!".

"Everyone is coming together to help put on what promises to be a great sell out event, so organisers are encouraging you to get your tickets early. They would like to thank all the bands and helpers for volunteering their time to support the festival."

Tickets are £8 in advance from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Telephone 01297 442138, or £10 on the door.

There will be a full bar, soft drinks and a few Bombay Mix cocktails (£8+ with ID).

Roach and Mars play the Blues



DORCHESTER ARTS kick-off the spring DA Blues season with Washington D.C. bluesman Michael Roach.

Hugely popular on both sides of the Atlantic and across Europe, Michael is a great musi-

cian and 'bluesologist'. This gig features him with ace harmonica player Johnny Mars – himself a highly rated exponent of the instrument.

Michael Roach and Johnny Mars play at the Corn Ex-

change, Dorchester this Saturday, January 30th at 8pm (doors and bar 7.30pm). Tickets are £13/£6.50 in advance, £14/£7 on the door. For more details call 01305 266926 or visit www.dorchesterarts.org.uk

The gigs

Friday 12 Feb
Electric Palace,
BRIDPORT

**BLUES NIGHT:
THE PRODUCERS**

Doors 7pm.
£10.50 adv, £12 door.

Arts Centre,
BRIDPORT

**JAZZ CAFE: A
CELEBRATION OF
SONNY ROLLINS**

8pm. £10

Corn Exchange,
DORCHESTER

**GET RHYTHM: GRAND
RE-UNION** 8pm. £5.

Saturday 13 Feb
The Nag's Head,
LYME REGIS

WILLIE & KARL

The Crown Inn,
BRIDPORT

FOO FAKERS
9.30pm

Re-loved Vintage
& Tea Rooms/Bistro,
2 Cornhill,
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**BERNARDO PLAYING
VINTAGE GUITAR**

7pm. Free entry,
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- 01305 257070.

Sunday 14 Feb
The Crown Inn,
BRIDPORT

CADENZA 4pm

Re-loved Vintage
& Tea Rooms/Bistro,
2 Cornhill,
DORCHESTER

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VINTAGE GUITAR**

12-2pm. Booking advised.
- 01305 257070.

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8pm.

Corn Exchange,
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SPOTLIGHT ¹⁵
THE true story of how the Boston Globe uncovered the massive scandal of child molestation and cover-up within the local Catholic Archdiocese, shaking the entire Catholic Church to its core.

Stars Mark Ruffalo, Michael Keaton and Rachel McAdams.

13 HOURS: THE SECRET SOLDIERS OF BENGHAZI ¹⁵
AN AMERICAN Ambassador is killed during an attack at a U.S. compound in Libya as a security team struggles to make sense out of the chaos.

Stars John Krasinski, Pablo Schreiber and James Badge Dale.

THE 33 ¹⁵
BASED on the real-life event, when a gold and copper mine collapses, it traps 33 miners underground for 69 days.
Stars Antonio Banderas, Rodrigo Santoro and Juliette Binoche.

YOUTH ¹⁵
A RETIRED orchestra conductor is on holiday with his daughter and his film director best friend in the Alps when he receives an invitation from Queen Elizabeth II to perform for Prince Philip's birthday.

Stars Michael Caine, Harvey Keitel and Rachel Weisz.

Cinema Listings

Fri, Jan 29th - Thu, Feb 4th
ALL LISTINGS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

LYME REGIS REGENT
Tel: 0871 230 3200
www.scottcinemas.co.uk

The Revenant ¹⁵
Fri-Tue: 19.45, Wed: 15.00, 19.45, Thu: 15.00

Star Wars - The Force Awakens ^{12A}
Sat: 15.05, Sun: 14.05

Brooklyn ^{12A} Thu: 10.30am

ROH: La Traviata ^{12A} Thu: 19.00

DORCHESTER ODEON
Tel: 0871 22 44 007
www.odeon.co.uk

Creed ^{12A} Fri-Wed: 17.30, Thu: 15.30

Goosebumps ^{PG}
Sat & Sun: 12.00, 14.30

Pan ^{PG} Sat & Sun: 10.00am

Star Wars: The Force Awakens ^{12A}
Fri-Wed: 14.15, 17.15, 20.30,

plus Sat, Sun, Tue: 11.15am

Thu: 11.15, 14.15, 17.15

The Hateful Eight ¹⁸
Daily: 20.15

The Revenant ¹⁸
Fri, Mon-Wed: 13.15, 16.45, 20.15

Sat & Sun: 13.45, 17.00, 20.30

Thu: 12.00, 17.00, 20.30

BRIDPORT ARTS CENTRE
Tel: 01308 424204

www.bridport-arts.com

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45 Years ¹⁵ Thu: 19.30

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13 Hours: The Secret Soldiers of Benghazi ¹⁵
Fri, Mon-Thu: 14.20, 17.20, 20.20

Sat & Sun: 11.20, 14.20, 17.20, 20.20

Big Hero 6 (Movies for Junior) ^{PG}
Sat & Sun: 10.40

Capture the Flag 2D ^{PG}
Fri, Mon-Thu: 12.10, 15.45

Sat & Sun: 11.15, 13.30, 15.45

Creed ^{12A}
Fri, Mon, Tue, Thu: 12.50, 17.30, 20.40

Sat: 11.00, 20.50

Sun: 11.00, 17.30, 20.50

Wed: 12.50, 17.30

Daddy's Home ^{12A}
Fri, Mon-Thu: 12.00, 18.30

Sat & Sun: 13.00, 18.00

Dirty Grandpa ¹⁵
Fri, Mon-Thu: 13.30, 16.00, 18.00,

20.20

Sat & Sun: 13.30, 16.00, 17.50, 20.10

Goosebumps 3D ^{PG}
Sat & Sun: 11.30, 12.30, 14.45, 19.15

Hotel Transylvania 2 ^U

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Capture the Flag 2D ^{PG}
Fri, Tue, Thu: 17.00,

Sat & Sun: 11.15am, 14.15,

Mon: 12.00, 17.15, Wed: 17.15

Dirty Grandpa ^{12A}
Fri, Tue, Thu: 17.30, 20.15, Sat &

Sun: 17.00, 19.45, Mon: 17.45,

20.30, Wed: 12.00, 17.45, 20.30

Goosebumps ^{PG}
Sat & Sun: 11.30, 13.45

Labyrinth ¹⁵
Sat: 20.15, Sun: 16.30

Room ¹⁵
Fri, Tue, Thu: 14.30, 20.00

Sat & Sun: 14.30, 20.30

Mon, Wed: 11.30, 14.45, 20.15

Star Wars: The Force Awakens ^{12A}
Sat & Sun: 12.45

The 5th Wave ¹⁵
Fri, Tue, Thu: 14.00, 16.45,

Sat & Sun: 11.45, 17.30,

Mon, Wed: 11.45, 14.30, 17.15

The Big Short ¹⁵
Fri, Tue, Thu: 13.45, 19.45

Sat & Sun: 16.30, 19.30

Mon, Wed: 14.15, 20.00

The Revenant ¹⁵
Fri, Tue: 15.30, 19.30, Sat: 16.45,

Sun: 19.00, Mon: 12.00, 15.30,

19.30, Wed: 12.15, 15.45, 19.30

Thu: 15.15

Sat & Sun: 10.00am

Penguins of Madagascar ^U
Sat: 11.15am, Sun: 10.30am

Ride Along 2 ^{12A}
Daily: 13.50, 16.20, 18.40, 21.00

Room ¹⁵
Fri, Mon-Thu: 14.10, 16.50, 19.30

Sat & Sun: 15.15, 20.15

Star Wars: Episode VII - The Force Awakens ^{12A}
Fri, Mon-Thu: 13.40, 16.40, 19.40

Sat & Sun: 10.40, 13.40, 16.40, 19.40

The 5th Wave ¹⁵
Fri, Mon-Wed: 12.15, 14.50, 17.20,

19.50

Sat & Sun: 12.00, 18.20

Thu: 12.15, 14.50, 20.30

The Big Short ¹⁵
Fri, Sun-Wed: 14.35, 20.30,

Sat, Thu: 14.35

The Danish Girl ¹⁵
Fri, Mon: 12.00

The Revenant ¹⁵
Daily: 13.45, 17.00, 20.15

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5.45-7.00pm **IYENGAR YOGA**
6.00-7.00pm **WALKING FOOTBALL (ON 3G PITCH)**
6.00-7.15pm **SILKS AERIAL COURSE ADULTS (16+)**
7.00-7.45pm **INDOOR CYCLING**
7.45-8.45pm **ABSANITY**
TUESDAY
6.30-7.30pm **ZUMBA**
7.30-8.30pm **CYCLEX CLASS**
WEDNESDAY
4.00-6.00pm **GYMNASTICS**
5.45-7.00pm **IYENGAR YOGA**
7.00-8.00pm **BACK 2 NETBALL**
8.00-9.30pm **VOLLEYBALL**
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12.30-1.30pm **50+ KEEP FIT**
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7.00-8.00pm **PILATES**
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WEDNESDAY JANUARY 27TH
UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society's first meeting of 2016. A Social Evening, Seed Swap and Quiz, at 7.30pm at Uplyme Village Hall. A good time to catch up with friends, swap your spare seeds, pay subscriptions, book for meetings and collect a 2016 Summer Show Schedule. The quiz will be fairly lighthearted and not too long, allowing plenty of time for socialising. Bring and Share supper.
MARTINSTOWN, NEAR DORCHESTER: Chair-based Exercise. 11.15am-12.30pm at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Wednesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.
DORCHESTER: Talk 'Over the Sea to Skye' by Vivienne Linington for Evergreens Social Group at AgeUK Dorchester at 1.45pm. Illustrated with video footage, Vivienne will tell all about her experiences of living on the Isle of Skye in the 1970s. Everyone welcome. Enjoy and interesting and tasty afternoon in good company with a cup of tea and biscuits, for just £1.50. For more details call 01305 269444.

THURSDAY JANUARY 28TH
BEAMINSTER: Raja Jarrah will be speaking to the One World Forum in the Strobe Room, 7.30pm, about 'Sustainable International Development'. Visitors £4 includes tea/coffee/biscuits. Enquiries Peter 01308 458283
EYPE, BRIDPORT: Aqua Fit Sessions. 10.30am - 11.30am Enjoy getting fit in the water; Parent & Baby/Toddler swimming course 11.30am - 12 noon, helps build water confidence and bonding. More details from Penny Yarnold, 07970 879047.

THURSDAY JAN 28TH - WEDNESDAY FEB 10TH
LYME REGIS: The humble Still Life is feted in this themed exhibition that explores how local artists capture these intimate domestic scenes. The Courtyard Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, DT7 3PU. Open daily; 10.30am-4.30pm. Free admission. www.townmillartsguild.com

FRIDAY JANUARY 29TH
LYME REGIS: Introduction to Mindfulness Workshop at Masonic Hall, 1-4pm. Buy one, bring a friend for half price! To find out more or to book visit www.growagain.co.uk or call 07554 451 347.
MARTINSTOWN, NEAR DORCHESTER: Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 10-11.30am at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

WEST BAY, BRIDPORT: Exercise to Music for ages 50+. 3-4.30pm at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. £5 per session. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

SATURDAY JANUARY 30TH
UPLYME: Lionel Handy (internationally acclaimed cellist) accompanied by Jennifer Hughes at Uplyme Church, 7pm. £10 on the door. Children free. Performing Faure, Ireland, Delius and Ravel.

SATURDAY JANUARY 30TH & SUNDAY 31ST
LYME REGIS: The Woodroffe Annual Art Show 2016 showcases recent artwork made by students from all years at The Woodroffe School and a variety of classes and media including Art, Graphics, Photography, Textiles and Design and Technology. The Malthouse Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, DT7 3PU. Open weekends 11am-4pm and private view Sat 30 January at 6pm. Free admission. www.townmillartsguild.com

SUNDAY JANUARY 31ST
WHITCHURCH CANONICORUM: 16th Annual Farmhouse Breakfast in the Whitchurch Canonicorum Village Hall DT66RF from 9am till 2pm. Come and enjoy a traditional farmhouse breakfast also choice of Cereals, Dorset Muesli, fruit, fruit salad, yogurts, tea/coffee and toast. Local produce, raffle in aid of Prostrate Cancer UK and proceeds from breakfast for the Village Hall Maintenance Funds. More details phone 01297 489375

MONDAY FEBRUARY 1ST
BRIDPORT: Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 5.45-7pm at the WI Hall. £5 per session. Every Monday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.
BRIDPORT: Bridport Folk Dance Club at 7.30-9.30 pm in the WI Hall, North Street, Bridport. Enjoy folk dancing mainly in the English tradition from Playford-style to modern-day compositions at Bridport's long-established weekly club, with guest and club callers, recorded music and occasional live bands. No partner or previous experience required. Membership available for admission at £2.50. Contact Jane on 01308 898 002 or Monty on 01308 423 442.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 2ND
LYME REGIS: Lyme Regis Art Society. Meeting 2-4pm at Woodmead Halls. Karl Taylor was brought up in Penzance and graduated from Carmarthen Art College. He will be demonstrating his approach to a still life in acrylics. All are welcome. Non-members admittance is £5. Contact Sheila on 01297 445464 for further information.
DORCHESTER: Le Cercle Francais de Dorchester, aka the Dorchester French Circle meeting. This will be 'Un Canadien a Bridport'. It will be given by Stefane Frigon, renowned Chef at the Olive Tree Restaurant

in Bridport, at AgeUK Dorchester at 4 Prince of Wales Road, DT1 1PW. It has its own car park. We will meet in the Roger Thomas Conference Room from 7.30-9.30 pm. Refreshments will be available from 7.30. Please feel free to join us, whatever your level of spoken French. You will be sure of a warm welcome. For further information and to see our full programme please visit our website www.dorchesterfrenchcircle.org.uk or call 01305 854025.
WEST BAY, BRIDPORT: Chair-based Exercise. 10.30am-12noon at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. £5 per session. Every Tuesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 3RD
MARTINSTOWN, NEAR DORCHESTER: Chair-based Exercise. 11.15am-12.30pm at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Wednesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 4TH
BRIDPORT: Bridport Electronic Organ Club concert with Darrel Harvey at the United Church Hall, East Street (DT6 3LJ), 7.30pm. Members £7.50, visitors £9. With refreshments. For more details call 01460 73500.
DORCHESTER: West Dorset Health Service Retirement Fellowship will meet 2pm for 2.30 pm in the Boys Brigade Hall, Sawmills Lane, DT1 2RZ when Robin Cook will give a talk on 'My Life and Times at Harrods'. The West Dorset Health Service Retirement Fellowship was set up over 30 years ago for retired employees of the Health Service and their partners living in Dorset and meet on the first Thursday of every month except August and December. In addition to the monthly meetings, we have coach outings, a theatre trip and Christmas lunch. New members welcome. Contact 01305 261676 or 785546 for further information. Membership subscriptions are now due.

WEYMOUTH: Broadwey, Upwey & District Horticultural Society. 'Introducing Garden Birds', a talk by a speaker from the RSPB. St. Nicholas Primary School, Dorchester Road, Broadwey, Weymouth starting at 7.30pm. Details from 01305 813853.

THURSDAY FEB 4TH - SATURDAY FEB 6TH
BOTHENHAMPTON: Pantomime 'Hansel and Gretel' at the village hall. Doors 7pm, show 7.30pm. Tickets £8 adults, £4 children (includes a light supper) available from 01308 458006 or 422205. Organised by Bothenhampton Village Players.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 5TH
LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club. Competition Creative followed by Malcolm McNaughton with his Print presentation. At Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, 7.30pm.

MARTINSTOWN, NEAR DORCHESTER: Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 10-11.30am at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

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LYME REGIS: Lyme Regis Society Coffee Morning at the Alexandra Hotel, 10.30am-12noon. All welcome.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 6TH
BRIDPORT: Bridport Ceilidhs with the talented "English Contra Dance Band" and the always enjoyable Jane Thomas calling, at Church House (St Mary's) Hall, South Street, Bridport DT6 3NW. ECDB play a great mix of music so expect dances across the genre and not just contras or Americal Bring and Share finger food supper, with some soft drinks provided; bring your own beer/wine and make a party of it! Doors open 7.15 for 7.30-11pm dance. Tickets on the door at £9, but this is anticipated to be a popular event so better (and cheaper at £8) to buy in advance from "The Music Shop", South Street, "The Lime Tree" Deli, West Street, or book with Monty or Mecki on 01308 423 442. See www.bridportceilidhs.wordpress.com

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 7TH
BRIDPORT: Bridport International Folk Dance Club holds monthly sessions on the first Sunday of the month at 12.30-2.30 in The Ropemakers, West Street, DT6 3QP, featuring international folk music and dances from the Balkans, Greece and France. Entry is free. All players are welcome (some sheet music can be distributed in advance if wished); dancers of any ability are invited, with walks-through for newcomers commencing at midday. The pub is open 12-3pm and serves excellent home-cooked lunches. Call Mecki on 01308 423 442 or email mecki1@yahoo.co.uk

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The Noise Next Door

THE unstoppable comedy juggernaut that is The Noise Next Door is coming to Bridport Arts Centre this weekend. They are turning up the volume for their third national tour; get ready for a night of mind-blowing songs, jaw-dropping characters and side-splitting punchlines from the undisputed masters of off-the-cuff comedy.

2015 was a huge year for them, they garnered rave reviews across the board including the Telegraph describing them as 'Hilarious ... a superior kind of chaos'. They completed their eighth consecutive sell-out run at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival and appearances on BBC One, ITV2, BBC Three and BBC Radio One.

This show is set to be their biggest and best yet. A night not to be missed!

The Noise Next Door perform at Bridport Arts Centre on Saturday, January 30th at 7.30pm.

Tickets are £13 or £11, available online at the website www.bridport-arts.com, or by calling 01308 424204



Simon Weston tells his incredible story

IT WAS the conflict of a generation and one that many will never forget. On April 2nd 1982 Argentina invaded the Falkland Islands.

Amongst those who were sent to the conflict was Simon Weston OBE. In one of the most horrific moments of the conflict the RFA Sir Galahad was bombed by two Argentine planes and Simon was aboard at the time – an event that would change his life forever. Eventually, and against the odds, Simon escaped the burning and buckled ship, but only after suffering 46% burns to his body. Today he has become one of the most recognised faces of the conflict and for the first time ever Simon is taking to the stage to tell his story – with no holds barred.

Simon Weston: My Life, My Story comes to Dorchester Corn Exchange on Sunday, January 31st at 7.30pm (doors and bar 7pm).

Tickets are £16, or £14 members and concessions, available by calling 01305 266926 or online at www.dorchesterarts.org.uk



Simon Weston

Comedy Café changes promise an excellent year of stand-up

EXCITING changes are taking place at the Bridport Comedy Café in a shake-up that will bring the best names yet to the Arts Centre.

The comedy café is moving mid-week to a Wednesday night and is now being booked in house meaning that more money can be devoted to bringing the best acts to the venue.

Lined up for the first show of the new season is Edinburgh Comedy Festival regular and Leicester Comedy Festival's 'one to watch' for 2016, Mat Ewins. A frenetic comic performer who is a completely unique talent and a cult favourite on the UK comedy circuit.

Also booked in for future dates are critically acclaimed Edinburgh best newcomer nominee Gareth

Richards, as seen on Russell Howard's Good News and Russell Kane's former tour support and Welsh comedy writer Dan Thomas.

After a brief spell working alongside an agency the Bridport Arts Centre are now booking the night in house with the help of resident MC Tom Glover.

Tom said: "The agency we worked with sent some great acts down but they didn't know the venue or the town so we'd often get acts that didn't suit the room or were not up to the standard the regular crowd are used to."

"There was also a large focus on acts from London, ignoring all the great talent on offer in the south west."

"All future nights will feature acts

handpicked by me, with the booking fee spent on acts rather than admin. I've got some of my favourite comedians on the circuit already lined up for 2016 and there are loads more in the pipeline."

By moving the club to a Wednesday night it won't have to compete with the country's major comedy chains meaning it will be even easier to attract top talent.

"I think Bridport is such a vibrant and busy town that the change won't put too many people off," Tom said. "I appreciate not everyone wants to go out on a school night but it means we can get acts we could never afford on a Friday or Saturday night. So you might have to have one less drink but that's ok as you won't need to be drunk to find these comics funny!"

Director of the Bridport Arts Centre, Laura Cockett, added: "I am delighted that we can develop the Comedy Café in this way, by working closely with Tom. This new model will be a better deal for audiences with higher quality acts and a focus on the best artists from around the South West."

The first of the new look Comedy Café nights will be on Wednesday, February 3rd at 8pm. Tickets are available online or from the arts centre box office on 01308 424204.



Mat Ewins

Award-winning director Charles Sturridge to curate From Page to Screen festival

AWARD WINNING director Charles Sturridge has been confirmed as the curator for this year's From Page to Screen Festival. The festival will return from Wednesday, March 30th to Sunday, April 3rd and promises to be one of the best yet with Carol and The Lady In The Van the first confirmed films in the programme.

Charles Sturridge made his film debut as an actor in Lindsay Anderson's *If...* but is best known as a director. His early television work includes *Coronation Street* and in 1981 he directed the seminal production of Evelyn Waugh's *Brideshead Revisited* starring Jeremy Irons, which won two Golden Globes and six BAFTA's. Throughout his career he has written and directed many award winning programmes including *Gulliver's Travels*, *Longitude*, *Shackleton*, *The Road to Coronation Street*, *The Scapegoat*, most recently he completed work on *Churchill's Secret* with Michael Gambon for ITV which will be shown in the Spring.

The list of actors he has worked with reads like a who's who of acting legends - Laurence Olivier, Helen Mirren, Alec Guinness, Lauren Bacall, Peter O'Toole, Jeanne Moreau, Eileen Atkins, Sheridan Smith, Romola Garai and Kenneth Branagh to name but a few.

His films include: *Runners* (1982), *A Handful of Dust* (1988), *E.M. Forster's: Where Angels Fear to Tread* (1991), both of which he co-wrote, and *Fairytale - A True Story* (1997) which won the British Academy award for "Best Children's Film" in 1998. In 2006 he wrote and directed an adaptation of Eric Knight's classic novel *Lassie*.

With such an illustrious career it is no surprise that Charles Sturridge has already managed to secure some fantastic speakers to take part in From Page To Screen. A highlight promises to be the great Alex Jennings star of *The Lady In The Van* who will be speaking before a



2016 From Page to Screen curator Charles Sturridge with Sir Michael Gambon

screening of the film which was both critically and publicly acclaimed. Actress Claire Bloom will speak about *The Spy Who Came in From The Cold* as part of a John Le Carré tribute. The 50th Anniversary of Evelyn Waugh's death will also be marked and composer Adrian Johnston will perform a live score to Murneau's brilliant 1922 Bram Stoker adaptation, *Nosferatu*.

Speaking about his role as curator of From Page To Screen festival, Charles Sturridge says:

"I was very excited to be asked to curate the From Page To Screen festival, the connection between literature and film has always fascinated me and I have had the privilege of adapting great authors like Evelyn Waugh, E.M. Forster and Daphne Du Maurier. Film is a voracious medium, sucking up books, plays, comics, even newspaper articles and adapting them to its own form, the Page to Screen Festival is a chance to celebrate this and to share the experiences of the some of the people involved."

Full details of the festival programme will be released in February but with such a fantastic start to the programme it is sure to be another hugely popular event!

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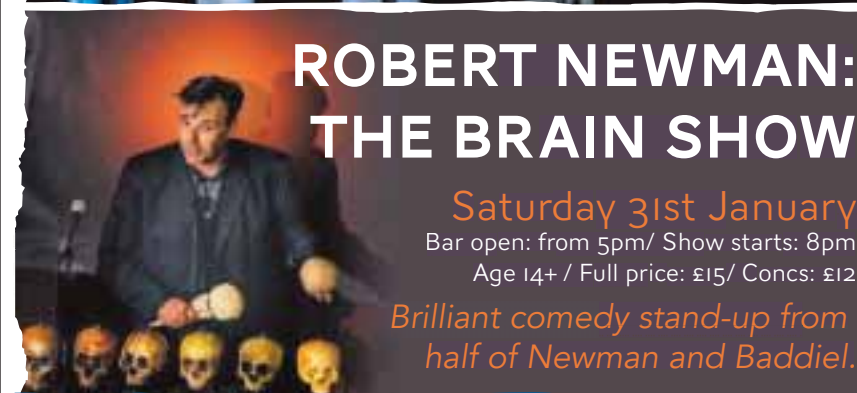
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By Julia Gray, Press Association

together with accessories, flooring and furniture. Neutral colours, especially white, also help to make rooms feel lighter, brighter and more spacious. The Dulux Light + Space Matt range (from £20.99 for 2.5ltr, www.dulux.co.uk) has the same intention. These neutral and pastel colours use light-



reflective particles to bounce light around, and work especially well in gloomy, north-facing rooms.

2. FINISHED YOUR DIY JOBS: It's easy to live with unfinished DIY jobs, but once you've decided to put your home on the market, dodgy DIY is a big no-no. It can put buyers off and make them think they'll need to spend more time and money finishing the work than they necessarily will. If you can't do the jobs yourself, get a pro in - it will be money well spent. Even if you've finished the DIY, you need to keep on top of it because things deteriorate. Common problems include marks on walls, hairline cracks that keep opening and chipped woodwork. Things like this make your home look shabby, so going from room to room with a fresh eye and putting right the problems is worth the effort.

3. EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE: It's also worth scrutinising the outside of your home. Exterior maintenance is easy to overlook, but it's something a buyer's surveyor will pick up on, so it's worth pre-empting any remedial work, as it could save you time, money and hassle. Not maintaining the exterior can also lead to problems inside, such as damp caused by missing or slipped roof tiles, or faulty guttering. And don't forget kerb appeal - making a good first impression from outside your home is essential. Inside, a neat and tidy hallway also creates a good first impression - ensure there's enough storage for coats, shoes and scarves, etc, preferably out of sight.

4. CLEAN: Giving your home a really good clean - and cleaning, airing and tidying it before every viewing - is a must. If you have masses of personal items on display, consider packing them away. While making your home look too sterile won't help sell it, a cluttered home will put buyers off. Remember, they may look in cupboards and wardrobes, so stuffing these full of things isn't the answer because it shows you don't have enough storage space. Instead, create more storage, preferably

built-in or in the loft or garden, or get the stuff out of your home and into a storage unit.

5. SPACE: Make the most of the space you have - put a dining table in the kitchen (as long as it isn't a squeeze) to turn it into a kitchen-diner, and put the biggest bed you can comfortably fit in each bedroom. If you have a study or home office and the room would be more valuable as a bedroom, swap the desk for a bed, at least while you sell. The trick is to make your home easy for buyers to imagine as their home, and to move on emotionally so you can move on physically.

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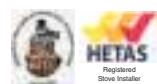
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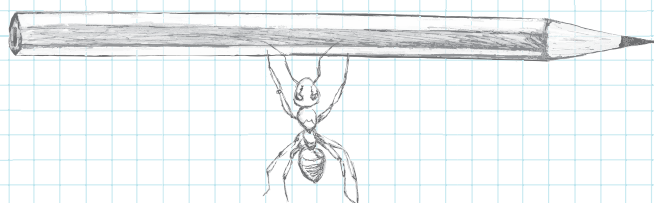
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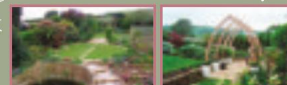
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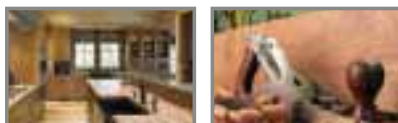
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New design, advanced technologies and enhanced interior for all-new Kia Sportage

THE all-new Kia Sportage – the fourth-generation of Kia's globally-popular compact SUV – features an attractive, all-new interior and exterior design, a host of advanced new technology features and greater quality.

Having made its global debut at the 2015 Frankfurt International Motor Show, the all-new Sportage will go on sale across European markets during Q1 2016.

Now in its fourth-generation, the new Kia Sportage compact SUV builds comprehensively on the success of the outgoing model, offering an innovative and sophisticated package to buyers in an increasingly competitive market. The new-look interior features high quality materials and design integrity, as well as greater practicality and a range of technologies to improve comfort, convenience, connectivity and safety. A range of new and updated engines and transmissions will result in enhanced efficiency and performance, while ride, handling and refinement are all improved.

For the first time, a new 'GT Line' specification is available to Sportage customers. Designed and engineered to appeal to those looking for a sportier driving experience from their Sportage, the GT Line specification delivers all the versatility of the standard Sportage while adding greater visual and dynamic appeal to those customers that desire it.

Michael Cole, Chief Operating Officer, Kia Motors Europe, commented: "The Kia Sportage has been a major contributor to Kia's sustained growth and success across Europe in recent years. Made here in Europe, it's an incredibly important car for us. More customers than ever are turning to SUVs, and there is now greater competition in the compact segment than ever before."

Cole added: "In Europe, the Sportage is Kia's flagship car, clearly demonstrating our brand values best and consistently account-

ing for more than a quarter of our European sales. As this hotly-contested segment continues to expand, the new Sportage will reinforce our position among the market leaders, leading the way in terms of its refined innovation, distinctive design and high material quality."

The Kia Sportage is manufactured at Kia's production facility in Žilina, Slovakia, and remains the brand's bestselling model in Europe, with more than 105 000 sold across Europe in 2015, accounting for 27.4% of Kia sales.

Bold new design for 2016 Kia Sportage

The fourth-generation Kia Sportage features a bold new look, with the vehicle's designers creating a sense of sporty and powerful energy from every angle. The design of the new Sportage has been led by Kia's European design studio in Frankfurt, Germany, with input from the brand's Namyang, Korea and Irvine, California design centres. The all-new Sportage creates visual harmony out of the tension and contrast between its sharp, defined feature lines and smooth surfacing.

The attractive 'face' of the Sportage features the biggest change to the car's design over the outgoing model, with Kia's hallmark 'tiger-nose' grille and the car's headlamps separated for the new model. The headlamps are now positioned higher, sweeping back along the outer edges of the sharply-detailed bonnet. A lower, wider grille – enlarged to support greater engine cooling – adds more volume to the lower half of the Sportage's face. The result is a more imposing appearance and a more stable-looking stance, despite the new model retaining the same 1,855 mm width as its predecessor. GT Line models develop the exterior look further, featuring new 'ice-cube' LED fog lamps, inspired by those found on the high-powered cee'd GT, and

aluminium-effect skid plates.

The all-new Sportage maintains its highly-recognisable profile, with a 30 mm longer wheelbase (now 2,670 mm), 40 mm greater overall vehicle length (to 4,480 mm) and longer, more aerodynamic rear spoiler resulting in a more swept-back shape. From the highest point of the roof (1,635 mm – unchanged over the outgoing model), the Sportage's silhouette gently tapers towards the rear of the car, while bolder wheel arches, sharp features lines, and smooth surfacing endow the Sportage with a more dynamic look. The overall effect is inspired by the defined musculature of a sprinter driving out of the starting blocks. Longer front overhangs (up by 20 mm) and shorter rear overhangs (reduced by 10 mm) add to the car's more raked profile.

At the rear, the new Sportage features more horizontal forms and clearly defined features lines, with smooth bodywork on the tailgate, emphasising the car's width and giving the compact SUV a more stable appearance. Inspired by the 2013 Kia Provo concept, slim combination lamps running along a horizontal parallel are joined together by a strip that runs the width of the rear, while the turn signals and reversing lights are separate, located lower down to add more visual weight to the lower half. The Kia Sportage GT Line also features dual exhaust pipes and metal-effect rear underbody diffuser for a sportier appearance.

The attractive new design also makes this the most aerodynamic Sportage to date, with drag reduced from 0.35 to 0.33 Cd – a result of the re-profiled undercoiler and newly-designed bumper.

The all-new Sportage is available with a choice of 16-, 17- or 19-inch aluminum alloy wheel designs, while the GT Line specification comes with a unique 19-inch wheel option as standard.



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Local football round-up WITH HOWARD LARCOMBE

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Lyme promotion hopes all but over

Mothballed Beaminster knocked off top spot - Barrs Lane local-derby ends honours even

Toolstation Premier (40)	Pld	Pts
Bristol Manor Farm	22	49
Odd Down	19	48
Willand Rovers	23	43
Buckland Athletic	19	40
Street	21	39
Melksham Town	21	38
Barnstaple Town	18	37
Bradford Town	22	32
Bitton	20	28
BRIDPORT	17	27
Shepton Mallet	19	26*
Brislington	19	26
Cribbs	23	22
Gillingham Town	17	21
Hallen	20	21
Sherborne Town	21	19
ICadbury Heath	18	18
Longwell Green	21*	18
Clevedon Town	22	8
Welton Rovers	20	7

DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE
HENRY'S CRONIES 3 LYME REGIS 0

Division Two

LYME Regis can have no complaints after a comprehensive 3-0 defeat against Division Two title favourites Henry's Cronies at their new home at Broadclyst.

The Seaside failed to seriously test home keeper Jacob O'Callaghan throughout the entire 90 minutes while Lee Cleal, standing in for the suspended Chris Higgins, was kept busy throughout and put in a fine shift.

The hosts went close early on with Lyme grateful to a goal line clearance from Matt Laing before a stray pass from Robbie Fellingham allowed Martin Tyrer a free run on goal, but Cleal did well to block the winger's shot with his feet.

Cleal was in action again midway through the first half with another fine stop after midfielder Matt Fanson had cut Lyme open with a superb through ball.

Indeed Fanson, along with his twin brother Marcus, had a superb game as the hosts came out on top in the mid-field battle but the interval arrived with the scoreline goal less.

The deadlock was broken in somewhat fortunate circumstances when a diagonal free-kick from left-back Matt Webb rebounded kindly and dropped straight to Jamie Fanson who lashed the ball into the roof of the net past Cleal who had no chance.

It should have been 2-0 on the hour but Mike Benyon headed wide from a corner when unmarked at the far post.

A feature of the game was a superb tussle between Lyme's towering centre-back Dom Rowe who put in an MoM performance up centre-forward Benyon who has led the line for Sidmouth Town to good effect up in the South West Peninsula League Division One.

Lyme's best moment came 10 minutes later when Joe Bond, asked to play in an unfamiliar role wide on the right, surged past two tackles before appearing to be tripped in the box.

But referee Nick Chapman, who an in-different game in middle, felt the pacy striker had dived and booked him for simulation.

To rub salt in the Seaside's wounds the lead was doubled soon after when Harrison Rogers unleashed a magnificent 35-yard scorcher that flew into the top corner.

The scoring was completed in the 90th minute when Marcus Fanson robbed Cleal with a block tackle and slotted home.

With Lyme now suffering three defeats in a row for the first time in 10 years, hopes of promotion at the first time of asking in Division Two appears to be over.

Seaside's; Lee Cleal, Luke Clifton (Sam Bevis 82), Callum Larcombe, Gary Knight, Dom Rowe, Matt Laing (capt), Mark Bailey, Rob Fellingham, Alfie Jacques (Aaron Cleal 89), Adam Caddy, Joe Bond. Unused sub; Mark Batey.

PERRY STREET LEAGUE
CHALLENGE CUP QUARTER FINAL

PERRY STREET 6 CHARD UTD 1

PERRY Street had few problems lining up a semi-final at South Petherton as they cruised to victory over Chard United at Tatworth.

After a goal less opening 20 minutes Callum MacHattie opened the scoring with a crisp drive from the edge of the area.

Seconds later it was 2-0 with top scorer Dan Collins slotting home. Tap-ins from Dan O'Connor and Collins, his 20th goal of the season, put

the game beyond Chard by half-time.

Another close range finish, this time from Darren Contreras after Brad Cleal's shot had come back off the crossbar made it 5-0.

Chard got something for their efforts when a defensive slip allowed Jamie Brown a free run on goal and he made no mistake.

But the goal of the game rounded things off at the other end when O'Connor drilled home an 18-yarder to finish off a slick passing move in fine style.

WINSHAM UTD 0 SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP 1

A 110th minute penalty from Jamie Spurdle finally decided the quarter-final at Bakers field after a gutsy rearguard performance from the hosts who could only muster a bare 11.

Winsham went close in the first half striking the crossbar and Spurdle hit the post in the second-half, but the stalemate remained in place until the second period of extra time when Tony Harwood brought down Dan Smith in the area and Spurdle tucked away the resulting penalty.

Shepton manager Aggie Smith was pleased to see his side retain their grip on the trophy and gave credit to Winsham: "They worked hard and hassled us out of our rhythm, their keeper (Andy Cody) played really well."

Semi-final line-up: Beaminster or West & Middle Chinnock v Shepton Beauchamp, South Petherton v Perry Street.

PREMIER DIVISION

NETHERBURY 1 BARRINGTON 3

NETHERBURY put in a battling performance against title-chasing Barrington but were made to pay for a sluggish start to the second half.

After an even opening quarter Barrington had Netherbury under a lot of pressure for the remaining 25 minutes, but struggled to fashion too many clear cut chances.

The Ambers' resistance was broken in the 43rd minute when the Barrington left back was given too much time and put in cross in a dangerous, which was converted by at the back post by Tom Perry.

The hosts started the second half sluggishly and went 2-0 down after being caught on the break. From a Netherbury corner the ball was cleared and after a couple of passes the ball reached top-scorer Andy Whitefield who raced clear to score past Rob Harp.

Soon after Whitefield missed a chance to make it 3-0 when he skied a penalty over the crossbar after being scythed down by Karl Ives.

But the third goal did come when Perry finished well past Harp. Netherbury finally put together a neat move of their own and Tom Franklin chipped a clever cross to the back post where Ash Carter volleyed in first time to make it 3-1 for the third time this season between the two teams.

Ambers' Manager Andy Loudon said: "Conceding that goal just before half time was a key moment.



◆ CRUCIAL: John Legg's missed penalty could have won the game for Waytown at Combe

"We never got going at the start of the second half and this cost us the chance of getting something, but the lads worked really hard on difficult pitch."

DIVISION ONE

COMBE A 0 WAYTOWN HOUNDS 0

STRONG winds and a very heavy pitch made for a tough match at Slades Cross.

Waytown had a golden chance to win it when Jon Legg was brought down in area. The striker dusted himself down and took the resulting spot-kick himself but his effort was well saved.

The Hounds back four of Ryan Harwood, Tom Knott, Leigh Hansford and Edd Stephenson defended very well in very poor conditions and keeper Lee Cuff was on top form.

Hounds boss Mark Hughes said: "Due to the fact that Combe Reserve game was off in the Premier League, this was probably a good result, but everyone felt we could have come away with all three points."

HAWKCHURCH UTD 4 BEAMINSTER RES 2
HAWKCHURCH United extended their unbeaten run to 12 matches in all competitions to move a whopping nine points clear at the top of the Division One table.

The Hawks' latest win saw them come from behind, and concede two for the 10th game in a row, before beating Beaminster Reserves 4-2.

The Rainbows were hampered by an injury suffered by centre-back Ned Parmiter in the pre-match warm-up which forced a re-shuffle at the back.

But they still took an early lead through Dom McAllister. However, Dan Richards soon squared things up when he rounded the keeper and rolled the ball home.

Then league top scorer Gavin Herrod linked well with Josh Short to put Hawkchurch ahead before half time.

They were forced to kicked into the wind and defend the boggy half of the ground after the turnaround but coped well and further goals from Jamie Harris and Herrod - his 24th of the campaign - put them away and clear at 4-1.

McAllister pulled one back with a 20-yard free-kick which found the top-corner giving keeper James Mitcham no chance.

Hawks' manager Martin Bright was impressed by his back four with Simon Herrod the pick of the bunch.

Beaminster boss Ian Butcher gave a mention to 16-year-old Jordan Hurry who caught the eye with a promising-cameo performance after coming off the bench late-on.

DIVISION THREE

CHAMMOUTH 2 UPLYME RESERVES 2

THE LOCAL-derby at Barrs Lane ended honours even. Chammouth had the better of the opening quarter of the match but found former player Marcus Bearpark once again in fine form between the sticks for the Swallows.

But it was a long punt from Bearpark that was to lead to the opening goal when it found Brandon Bryant who turned well before firing home from the 20-yards out.

But the hosts equalised in the 41st minute when Uplyme failed to clear their lines following a goalmouth scramble and Bill Ward slotted home his 12th goal of the season.

The Robins took the lead just after the hour through Ali Harvey and the points appeared to be theirs until Uplyme skipper Craig Coles stepped up and scored with a deflected 25-yard free-kick.

Chammouth manager Kevin Pratt felt his side, now second in the table, should have banked all three points, he



◆ LATE GOAL: Uplyme Reserves' skipper Craig Coles salvaged a point at neighbours Chammouth

said: "We had 90 per cent of the possession in the first half and Marcus and the woodwork kept us out.

"The second half was more competitive but we should have won and its definitely two points lost not one gained."

Pratt also gave a mention too for Matt Tipping who had a great game at the back.

FIVEHEAD 1 NETHERBURY RESERVES 5
ALTHOUGH most of the fixtures in the league and cups were called off, the Fivehead pitch was in good condition.

The home team started with more energy. They fashioned a few half chances and the centre midfield pairing were calling the shots.

Fivehead went in front in the 12th minute with a scrambled Adam Male goal from close range. The ball could have been cleared several times in the build up.

Netherbury had the chance to level the scores when they were awarded a penalty just three minutes later. Phil Ackerman took responsibility but his effort was too close to keeper Andy Crouch and was comfortably saved.

Ambers' Manager James Sayers, covering in goal, was almost caught out with a lobbed effort but managed to just managed to get fingertips on the ball.

Netherbury equalised within five minutes of the restart the lively Alex Goodrick had a shot saved but the rebound fell directly to youngster Charlie Morgan who gratefully smashed the ball in from six yards.

Goodrick was causing problems all afternoon, and he was chopped down again 25 yards out. Morgan, full of confidence after his first goal, curled a lovely free-kick into the top left hand corner leaving the keeper helpless.

With 20 minutes to go Wes Furszman was fed the ball on the edge of the area and drilled the ball past the keeper to make it 3-1 with a goal his performance deserved.

The visitors were still tested on occasion, and Sayers had to tip over a dipping effort, and Steve Coombes headed one off the line but it always looked likely Netherbury would score again.

A well-worked short corner created some space for Ethan Holmes-Good who finished superbly into the roof of the net to make it 4-1.

A minute after coming on substitute Ryan Kingston added a fifth.

Manager Sayers said: "This was a good team performance. The league is so tight we need to get a bit of momentum, if we win our games in hand we can still get back in the promotion mix."

RESULTS - Saturday, January 23rd

DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE

Division Two

Chulmleigh 18 Culm United 0
Dawlish Utd 4 Tipton St John 0
Halwill 1 Cullumpton Rangers Reserves 4
Henry's Cronies 3 Lyme Regis 0
Newtown Reserves 3 East Budleigh 0
SOMERSET JUNIOR CUP QF

South Petherton 1 Draycott 2
PERRY STREET LEAGUE
CHALLENGE CUP QF
Perry Street 6 Chard Utd 1
Winsham Utd 0 Shepton Beauchamp 1 (aet)

REG EGLON QF
Chard Rangers Reserves 1 Combe B 3
Thorncombe Res 3 Chard Utd Allstars 2
Drimpton Reserves 1 Farway Utd Reserves 1
(Drimpton won 4-3 on pens)

PREMIER
Netherbury 1 Barrington 3
DIVISION ONE
Combe St Nicholas A 0 Waytown Hounds 0
Hawkchurch Utd 4 Beaminster Reserves 2
DIVISION TWO
Kingsbury Episcopi 2 Winsham Utd Res 3
Shepton Beau Res 3 outh Petherton Res 4
DIVISION THREE
Chammouth 2 Uplyme Reserves 2
Fivehead 1 Netherbury Reserves 5

FIXTURES - Saturday, January 30th

DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE

DIVISION TWO

Chulmleigh v Exmouth Town Reserves
Cullumpton Rang Res v Exeter Uni 3rds
Halwill v East Budleigh
Hemyock v Henry's Cronies
Lyme Regis v Dawlish Utd
Tipton St John v Newtown Reserves
DIVISION SEVEN
Central FC v Lyme Regis Reserves
Cheriton Fitzpaine Res v Wellington 3rds
Colyton Reserves v Seaton Town Reserves
Elmore Reserves v Bradninch
Tivvy Park Rangers v Langdon Reserves

PERRY STREET LEAGUE (2pm ko)

ARTHUR GAGE CUP
Barrington Res v Waytown Hounds
Crewkerne Rangers v Uplyme
Hawkchurch Utd v Thorncombe
Misterton v Combe St Nicholas A

TOMMY TABBERER CUP

Combe B v Shepton Beauchamp Reserves
Hinton v Chard Utd Reserves
Merriott Dynamos v South Petherton Res
Thorncombe Reserves v Merriott Rovers
Winsham Utd Reserves v Farway Utd

BILL BAILEY CUP

Chard Rangers Reserves v Uplyme Reserves
Chard Utd Allstars v Perry Street Reserves
Chammouth v Dawlish & Donnyatt
Fivehead v Farway Utd Reserves

PREMIER

Chard Utd v Shepton Beauchamp
Crewkerne Town v Combe Reserves
Forton Rangers v West & Middle Chinnock
Lyme Regis Bantams v Beaminster
Perry Street v Netherbury
South Petherton v Barrington

DIVISION ONE

Beaminster Reserves v Drimpton
Pymore v Ilminster Town Colts
DIVISION THREE
Drimpton Res v Crewkerne Rangers Res
Netherbury Reserves v Halstock

Urgent need referees!

THERE is to be a presentation by the Chard Referees Society to the benefit of club officials who find themselves having to officiate due to the referee shortage at the present time.

The invitation is open to all clubs and referees within the Perry Street & District League. Those wishing to attend please email: haynali@talktalk.net

A referees course is planned for April /May at Drimpton Football Club. PSDL Secretary Bob Brunt said: "We need candidates. It is looking like when all games are played on a Saturday the league will have around 10 games without a registered official.

"All teams will almost certainly have to find an official before the end of the season.

"The meeting (above) will greatly help clubs to find a person and make the experience as enjoyable as possible.

"Please make all managers, players in your club aware of this meeting - it is hoped every club will be represented."

Reminder book places by emailing Ali Francis by email haynali@talktalk.net

Bridport Rugby

In-form Blues plunder points at Poole

Poole 7 Bridport 48

Dorset & Wilts Division Two (South)
BRIDPORT bounced back from their sobering encounter with Yeovil last week to record a workmanlike victory over Poole, who lie five places below them in the League table.

It didn't all go to plan as a very sticky pitch made it hard to play flowing rugby, and there were inevitable mistakes along the way, but 24 points in the first half and another 24 in the second proved ample to subdue the hosts.

The early pressure was all Bridport's, and after some good handling from the backs, Mike Pibworth was able to release Lance Samways for a try in the corner. The conversion kick went wide.

The next score came from a scrum on Poole's 5m line which Bridport won giving Fly-half Ricky Stubbs time to generate the required momentum to cross the line under the posts. Will Everitt added the conversion to make it 12-0.

More pressure from the visitors led to a penalty in a promising position, but a quick tap-and-go went horribly wrong and Poole cleared their lines hoofing downfield and getting to the loose ball first to score an unlikely try which was converted.

Order was restored soon after though as Al McNab stormed through

D&W D2 (S)	Pld	+/-	Pts
Yeovil	14	554	66
Bournemouth III	14	426	57
New Milton II	14	281	54
Weymouth & Portland	13	184	54
BRIDPORT	14	51	38
Wheatheaf Cabin Crew	14	-44	38
Ellingham & Ringwood II	13	-93	25
North Dorset III	14	-166	19
DORCHESTER II	14	-240	19
PUDDLETOWN	13	-148	13
Poole	13	-349	10
Fordingbridge II	14	-456	-4

the defence for a great individual try, which was converted to extend the lead to 19-7.

A terrific driving maul from the forwards set up Bridport's fourth try which was well finished by George Pearce. The kick went astray to end the half with the score at 24-7.

Pearce also contributed the next after a sharply taken penalty and, although the kick went wide, the visitors were beginning to stretch away.

The forwards, who won a number of scrums against the head during the afternoon, did so again on Poole's 5m line and Pibworth was able to break through from short range. The conversion was unsuccessful.

Ricky Stubbs scored his second with a great run through traffic and with the conversion added the score



◆ **PILING ON THE PRESSURE:** The Bridport forwards force their way towards the Poole line.

moved on to 41-7.

Shortly afterwards the fly-half was also responsible for an huge clearance kick and, from the resulting line-out, stolen by Bridport, the ball flew swiftly down the back line to Samways who registered his second

try.

With the conversion the final score ended 48-7 and a satisfying win for the Blues, after a run of three losses.

Next Saturday they entertain Ellingham & Ringwood, who proved tough opposition in the reverse fixture.



◆ **TRIUMPHANT:** The Bridport team pictured after their impressive 48-7 win at Poole last Saturday. Photos by GUY LIVINGSTON



◆ **HOISTED:** A keenly contested line-out

Bowls

Poor start seals Bridport's fate

Bridport & West Dorset Indoor Club

A DISASTROUS first five ends sealed Bridport men's fate against DORCHESTER in their latest Wessex League match which they lost 48-105 overall.

At home Brian Rumble and Ivor Parker's rinks trailed 1-10 and 0-10 respectively, while at Dorchester Ken Enticott's four found themselves 1-16 down. Only Chris Thorne's rink were holding their own at 8-8.

Bridport didn't give up though and competed well over the remaining 16 ends to leave final scores of Rumble 8-21, Parker 9-30, Enticott 14-33 and Thorne 17-21.

A three count on the final end gave Mel Griffiths, Bob Taylor & Rumble two points in the Purbeck Trophy League away at BOURNEMOUTH, but Dave Roberts, Parker & Thorne just missing out on maximum points when they dropped big counts of 5 and 7 to lose 19-23.

Bridport Ladies put up a good fight against the DOLPHIN (Poole) in the County League before going down 39-49. Penny Pither, Beryl Stork, Ann Parkins & Mary Marsh going down 20-24 and Erica Sarson, Rosie Wilton, Barbara Jenkins & Jenny Harding succumbing 19-25.

Nova Varney, Penny Pither, David Aylott & Mike Craddock were top rink in Bridport's mixed friendly against the SOUTH DORSET BOWLS ASSOCIATION, winning by eight, but there were narrow defeats for Mary Hansford, Margaret Fifield & Roger Cowmeadow's fours to leave the SDBA team overall winners.

Cribbage

LYME REGIS

Results - January 18th:

Lamb Swans 3 Axminster
Inn 2, Beer Club 2 Ship Inn
LR 3, Gerrard Arms 3 Old
Inn Kilm 2, New Inn Kilm B
5 Royal Oak 0, Axminster
Con Club 4 Talbot Arms 1,
Stepps 3 New Inn Kilm A
2.

Beer League; Lamb
Swans 1 Axminster Inn 2,
Beer Club 3 Ship Inn LR 0,
Gerrard Arms 2 Old Inn
Kilm 1, New Inn Kilm B 3
Royal Oak 0, Axminster
Con Club 2 Talbot Arms 1,
Stepps 0 New Inn Kilm A
3.

Fixtures (Feb 1st); Beer
Club v Stepps, Gerrard
Arms v Axminster Inn,
New Inn Kilm B v Ship Inn,
Axminster Con Club v
Royal Oak, Talbot Arms v
Nags Head, Lamb Swans v

New Inn Kilm A.

League table	Pld	Pts
Gerrard Arms	16	49
Stepps	16	46
Nags Head	17	45
Royal Oak	17	44
Lamb Swans	16	44
New Inn Kilm A	16	42
Beer Club	17	42
Old Inn Kilm	17	41
Axminster Con Club	15	39
Ship Inn LR	15	37
Axminster Inn	16	35
Talbot Arms	16	31
New Inn Kilm B	16	30

Beer League	Pld	Pts
Royal Oak	17	32
Axminster Con Club	15	28
New Inn Kilm A	16	28
Gerrard Arms	16	27
Talbot Arms	16	25
Old Inn Kilm	17	25
Lamb Swans	16	23
Ship Inn LR	15	23
Stepps	16	22
New Inn Kilm B	16	22
Nags Head	17	22
Axminster Inn	16	21
Beer Club	17	18

Bridport Squash & Racketball

Off day for 2nds

Bridport 2nd 10 Ferndown 3rd 14

BRIDPORT 2nd team gave a very lacklustre performance against a Ferndown side who took their chances well writes Roger Lewis.

Steve Hodder at one for Bridport was up against a dogged opponent in Richard Herringshaw.

Hodder started off in fine style and had his opponent making a number of mistakes by keeping possession of the middle of the court. However, as the match progressed the tables turned and it was Herringshaw's patience and full use of the lob shot that had Hodder in all sorts of trouble and he went on to register a 7-9, 8-10, 9-6, 9-6, 9-6 victory.

The surprise of the matches was the performance of Ferndown's number two Tracy Parker who turned in a superb display against Tim Parkman.

The downfall of Parkman was Parker's ability to take the ball early, giving him no chance to settle and play his normal game and consequently she took the match 9-6, 4-9, 9-1, 9-5.

John Mills, back from injury, playing at three had a very useful workout against Max Dyke.

Mills started the match in strong fashion putting shots to all four corners of the court.

However, his lack of matchplay allowed Dyke back in and he recorded a 8-10, 7-9, 9-7, 9-1, 9-2 victory.

Paul Cross at four was the only player in the Bridport team to show any real form in his match against Martin Broad. His powerful shot play had his opponent in trouble from start to finish; indeed Cross virtually had the centre of the court to himself as he sent Broad to all the corners showing the wide range of shots in his repertoire. Consequently he took the match 9-7, 9-5, 9-0.

Robert Muir had a walkover with Ferndown unable to field a number five.

Schools Cross Country

Colfox runners shine at County championships



◆ **VALIANT EFFORT:** The Inter Boys who had to settle for second place in the Dorset County Cross Country Championships held at King's Park, Bournemouth.



◆ **JUST PIPPED:** The Year 7 Boys who were beaten into second place by Allenbourn

Dorchester Snooker

RESULTS: Colliton XQ2015 5 WDC Whipping Boys 4, Trinity Gooduns 6 WDC YYMFDT 1, Purbeck Pot- ters 4 Trinity M 4, Trinity Express 3 WDC YYMFDT 4.

Leading breaks: C.Matthews 35, A.Page 32, M.Pike 31, M.Beale 30. (Season's best; 55 Evan Wellman WDC A).

Table week 12	Pld	Pts
Trinity M	10	43
Trinity Gooduns	9	39
Purbeck Potters	10	38
WDC YYMFDT	9	35
Trinity Express	10	35
W.Dorset Club A	7	34
Colliton XQ2015	8	28
WDC Whipping B	11	26
Colliton Hopefuls	8	20

Team Handicap KO Cup Semi-finals: Trinity Gooduns v Trinity M (Feb 3rd at Colliton Club), WDC YYMFDT v Trinity Express (Feb 4th at Trinity Club).

Team Open KO Cup Semi-finals: Trinity Gooduns v WD Club A, (Feb 1st at Colliton Club), WDC YYMFDT v Colliton Hopefuls (Feb 2nd at Trinity Club).

Bridport Darts

Division One	Pld	Pts
Rubber Johns	12	20
Rob's Rubbers	11	17
BSC	11	17
Hands of Time	12	15
Fleet Street Five	11	14
Nomads	12	14
It's in the Middle	12	9
Nags Head A	11	7
Noth In But Treble	11	6
Respect of Bull	11	5
Young Darters	11	2

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Elders	11	19
Les Miserables	10	16
One for the Vikings	11	15
Respect of Bull	11	13
Dart Team	9	11
Anchor Vale Viewers	11	8
Rotter Rotters	10	7
Poachers	11	6
Royal Hawks	10	6
Time Bombs	10	3

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Anchor Five	10	16
Mis Fites	11	13
Tiger Beats	10	13
Flashes Fives	10	12
Only Just	10	10
3 Become 1	9	9
The Surgeons	9	9
Midnight Runners	10	9
No Direction	9	7
The Royal Nuts	10	0

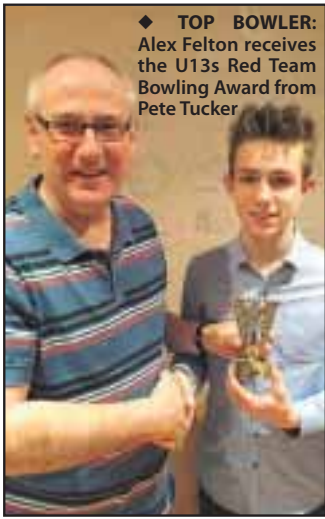
Division Four	Pld	Pts
Dart Vaders	10	18
The Nameless	10	13
Wicked Team Name	11	13
Sorted Odds	11	12
Dodgers	10	12
Whamo	10	10
Thunder Birds are Go	10	9
Odds & Sods	10	9
Mozzies Heroes	11	4
Ace of Clubs	9	2

Ladies Division One	Pld	Pts
Anchor Aces	17	31
Arrows Awry	17	26
Tender Trap	17	21
Sue's Rebels	17	19
Clocking On	17	16
Queen Bees	17	14
Against the Odds	17	8
Castaways	17	1

Ladies Division Two	Pld	Pts
Queens of the Club	19	32
Up and Downers	18	25
Wildcats	18	21
Next Door	19	19
Good Mates	19	17
Wing Bed	18	14
Anchors Aweigh	18	14
Charlie's Angels	18	12
Tricky Stripes	18	12

180s: D1 - M.Fisher (Hands of Time) x8, D2 - S.Crabb (Les Miserables) x3, D3 - Sean West x2, D4 - A.Page (Wicket TN) x3, LD1 - T.Dawe & S.James (both Anchor Aces), S.Hallett (Clocking On), J.Collins (Queen Bees) all x1, LD2 - T.Wayland (Wrong Bed) x1.

Charlton Down youth cricket on the up



◆ **TOP BOWLER:** Alex Felton receives the U13s Red Team Bowling Award from Pete Tucker

CHARLTON Down Cricket Club's youth section continues to grow, not only through the abundance of talent on the pitch, but through the hard work of the coaches and managers, and the dedication of the parents.

The club celebrated the completion of their third season with a presentation and buffet at their cricket pavilion

Club Captain Jae Miller congratulated the players, managers and coaches for their achievements during the season, which included Pete Lucas, Rich Fagence, John Harrington, Mark Akerman, Steve Jones, Stuart Dipple, Craig Robinson and Kevin Davies.

He told those assembled that the club had entered an U11s team and two U13s in the West Dorset District Leagues, and the U13s also produced an excellent ECB Cup run to the semi-finals losing to the eventual winners Martinstown.

He congratulated all the players who had played representative district cricket during the season.

A Winter Indoor U15s team is currently playing in the West Dorset District League at the Osprey Sports Centre.

Youth sponsors Crane and Bishop Roofing were thanked for their continued support during the season, whilst former Dorchester Mayor, Les Phillips was thanked for his support since the inception of the youth teams at the club and presented a new trophy, the Les Phillips Coach Award.

Award winners:

U11s: Fielding: Charlie Hensman; Batting: Ethan Robinson; Bowling: Fergus Dipple; Coaches Award: Jasmine Easton.

U13s Blue Team: Fielding: Harry Akerman; Batting: Ollie Moffat; Bowling: Lewis Harrington; Coaches Award: Josh Fowler.

U13s Red Team: Fielding: Kieran Heath; Batting: Ben Symes; Bowling: Alex Felton.

Coaches Award: Henry Dipple.

Lead coach Tommy Tucker said: "I

would like to thank all the parents for transporting the children around Dorset during the summer evenings. Without the managers and coaches donating their time to help the youngsters play it would not be possible to offer cricket.

"The youth section is growing slowly but steadily and the improvement in standard is there to be seen. It was brilliant to see the first youth players, Elliot Rossiter and George Harfield, play their first match in the Saturday senior team.

"More importantly for me, as a coach, it is about the youngsters having fun and enjoying the game but increasing their skill base at the same time.

"A judge of success is that the same children come back the following week and perhaps bring a friend occasionally".

The club continues to invest in youth cricket and will turn out three youth teams in each age group U11s, U13s and U15s in the 2016 Season in the West Dorset District youth leagues for the first time in their history.

West Dorset Hawks Hockey

Plymouth young guns too good for Hawks

Plymouth University A 3 West Dorset Hawks 0
DESPITE fielding a near full-strength team only missing top striker Steve Mearning, West Dorset endured a disappointing afternoon at Plymouth where in miserable conditions, they were well beaten by a young, extremely well-drilled side.

Uni were looking to avenge their 4-3 defeat at Bridport in November, and it became an open game from the start with the hosts forcing Hawks keeper Tom Lowe to make several good saves.

West Dorset kept them at bay for 20 minutes but a poor tackle from Charlie Davis led to a short corner that Julian May got his stick to but could only deflect into his own net.

Hawks tried to get back in the game but the Uni defence held firm and a swift counter attack saw them outnumbered and a slick move was clinically finished to double the lead before half-time.

The persistent rain and strong wind on a bouncy pitch didn't help matters, but West Dorset came out fighting after the break and almost pulled a goal back.

Rick Dormer and Alex Davies exchanged precision first touch move to open the home defence but the latter's cross was just a fraction too early for the arriving Russell Coombes.

Ten minutes later Bob Dormer struck a post, but Plymouth weathered the storm and as the Hawks ran out of steam against their young opponents, Uni took command.

Hawks found it difficult to even get possession and they conceded a third when the home striker dribbled past

three defenders before firing home.

From then on it was a damage limitation exercise for the Hawks.

Defender Julian May said: "Whilst we lost there were a lot of positives to take from the game because they are by far the best side we have played this season."

Injuries hamper chance of victory

West Dorset A 2 Chard B 2
WEST Dorset A hoped to continue their recent good form against Chard B.

But it was the visitors who started well but were reduced to ten men when one of their players was sin-binned for dissent on 10 minutes, and the home side took the lead shortly after when John Dormer squared to John Kellas to sweep the ball home.

As the half wore on, West Dorset were enjoying most of the possession and creating the better chances and they doubled their lead when Simon Wakely fired past the Chard keeper.

No sooner had the first Chard player returned to the action following his yellow card, when they were reduced to ten again when another was sin-binned, again for dissent.

West Dorset took advantage when a short corner was saved, but Rich Wilson scored from the rebound to make it 3-0. However, five minutes before half-time Chard reduced the arrears when they also scored from a short corner.

With just two minutes of the half remaining a ball driven at height into the area struck Wakely on the side of the knee and, following a ten minute delay for treatment on the pitch, he was unable to continue.

With no substitute the hosts were reduced to ten men for the remainder of the match.

After some half-time reorganisation West Dorset started the second half brightly, restricting the visitors attacks.

They were also having more of the ball but injuries to Wilson and defender Bruce Maltby meant the mobility of the side was further reduced.

Once again Chard were reduced in numbers when a player who had previously been carded in the first half was sin-binned again for further dissent, even throwing his stick off the pitch in a petulant protest!

With both sides now a player short Chard scored following another short corner to reduce the deficit to one and set up a tense finale.

West Dorset were creating numerous chances to seal the game - squandering at least half a dozen short corners and missing a host of chances in open play. With seconds remaining they were made to pay as Chard scored with a shot that went just beyond the reach of keeper Alex Drew.

Skipper Henry Middleton said: "We were fairly comfortable at 3-0 up but a number of injuries during the match meant that we were up against it in the second half.

"Some Chard players didn't help themselves; constantly disputing the umpires and getting carded.

We ran out of a bit of steam near the end, although we still had loads of chances to win the game in the second half whereas Chard had fewer but took the ones that came their way."

Chess

Bridport thrash league leaders

BRIDPORT Chess Club B team resumed their campaign in the Dorset League recently with a shock white-wash 4-0 victory at Division Three frontrunners Wimborne C.

Facing a formidably strong Bridport team, Wimborne's hopes crumbled as each board fell under the visitors' command. Stellar performances from Matt Holborow, Malcolm Steevens, Colin Winch and skipper David Martin proved too much for the division favourites, leaving Bridport poised to surge up through the standings heading into the latter half of the season.

Meanwhile, Bridport A cemented their position in Division Two after a hard-fought win over lowly Poole.

Holborow, on top board, struggled to keep pace with his own clock in a notoriously complex double-rook ending before honourably resigning as his flag teetered. Bridport captain Steevens found himself on the happier end of a battle towards time control as his opponent defaulted before the 35th move.

On board three, club champion Terje Lundin drew on his recent experiences playing at the prestigious international London Chess Classic tournament to find an inspired win with the black pieces.

When club legend Colin Winch finally managed to force a draw on board four, his two rooks positioned on the seventh rank, Bridport emerged the narrow victors.

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Brand new community league set for Sir John Colfox

THERE are more than £100 worth of free gifts for all teams who enter an exciting 6 a side football league which kicks off in Bridport soon.

All teams who join up before the league - which is run by Leisure Leagues, Europe's largest provider of small sided soccer - kicks off on March 7th and will take place at Sir John Colfax School every Monday.

Games cost £27 and happen between the times of 7-9pm. All players will receive free shirts and shorts together with a waiving of the usual £25 registration fee.

Teams will then be competing for a range of top prizes including custom made trophies - the

best prize package on offer in 6 a side football.

There is also a chance to play at the National 6 a side championships where they will get the chance to represent Bridport and really hit the jackpot, as last year's winners scooped a holiday.

A fun, but competitive game is assured - and in a unique move profits from the league will be donated to charity, for which Leisure Leagues have been praised by, amongst others, David Cameron and Prince Charles.

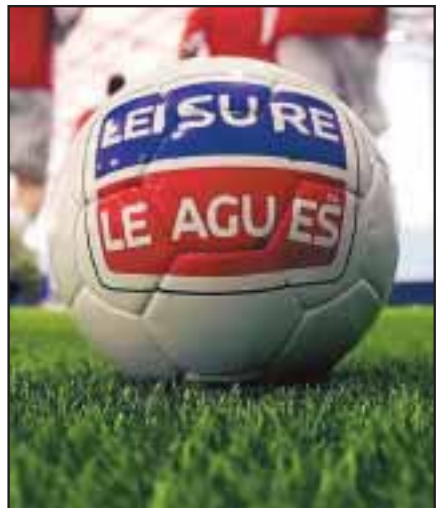
All standards are catered for with New Business Manager Chris Rowntree saying: "Whether you fancy yourself as the next Lionel Messi, or you are

an honest trier who loves the game, or just a plain old Titus Bramble, then we can find room for you here!

"We have been running leagues for 30 years and we are confident that we can give the same enjoyment to the community of Bridport that we have already in so many places."

Qualified refs - with all equipment provided - will be in charge of the league, and are backed up by the strongest discipline structure there is, to ensure the games are competitive and fun.

Anyone who wants to register a team can do so on www.leisureleagues.net or for more information they can call 0333 123 2340.



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Lyme Regis

Men's results (w/e 23rd Jan): Marksmen 328 Anthill Mob 287 (+BL), Young Guns 352 (+BL) Clueless 355, Alleytwhits 313 (+BL) Roadrunners 335, Skippy's Six 344 Tornadoes 336 (+BL), Shakers 290 (+BL) Miscellaneous 304, Trappers 323 President's Men 320 (+BL), Flyers won (+BL) British Legion (game given (+BL) = Beer Leg winner **Ladies:** Generations 290 (+BL) Wootton Wobbs 324, Smashers 305 (+BL) v Wild Pins 290, La Crème 270 v Hot Gossips 254 (+BL).

Mens Div One	Pld	Pts	BL
Marksmen	10	16	6
No Hoppers	7	12	4
Young Guns	10	16	11
Wreckers	9	10	16
Rousdon Rebels	9	10	8
Anthill Mob	10	8	14
Clueless	9	8	7
Skippy's Six	10	6	9
Tornadoes	10	4	9

Mens Div Two	Pld	Pts	BL
Flyers	9	18	15
Roadrunners	9	13	12
Trappers	9	11	11
Alleytwhits	9	10	11
Miscellaneous	8	6	4
President's Men	9	4	7
Shakers	9	4	6
British Legion	8	4	4

Ladies	Pld	Pts	BL
Wootton Wobblers	9	18	12
Generations	9	9	12
Smashers	9	9	10
Just Us	7	9	4
Wild Pins	8	8	8
Hot Gossips	9	7	14
La Crème	9	4	4
Rollercoasters	8	4	4

Bridport

UPCOMING cup fixtures
Mixed Pairs (2nd round)
Tuesday, February 2nd

BRIDPORT FC - M & E
Hooper; J & B Cook; T & S Luter; M Horton & M Hansford; M Huxter & C Huxter; M & N Powell; N Pye & L Bowditch; K & L Groves.

Thursday, February 4th
ILCHESTER - S Gale & N Broad; C Hopkins & C Lambert; C Willcox & T Cornish; D & C Horton; S Beal & J Cake; V & W Symonds; M Legg & N Tattershall.

Lyme Darts

Table	Pld	Pts
Nags Head A	12	21
Rousdon Club	10	20
Nags 2	12	18
Rock Point	9	14
Four Play	12	14
Janners	11	10
Talbot Arms	12	8
Royal Standard	10	7
Cobb Arms	11	6
Hunters Lodge	9	6
Four's Company	11	4
Half an Octopus	11	2

180s leaders:
R.Cross (4), C.Higgs & T.Prowse (both 3), M.Barnett, D.Herbert & A.Reid (all 2).

Lyme Golf

THE Ladies 4 clubs and a putter on the 15-hole layout produced some very good scores.

Caroline Baker won Division One with 31 points finishing very well including a birdie on the last hole. Diane Harris came 2nd with 30, one ahead of Rosie Jackman in 3rd.

Winning Division Two, and with the best score of the day, was Kim Beauchamp with 33 (22 points on the last eight holes). In second place was Rosemary Dare (28) and 3rd Ronny Turner (26).

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Consistent Colfox continue trend in county finals

THE Sir John Colfox Academy cross country teams maintained their consistent performance at the Dorset County Championships once again with four groups once again achieving a top two finish.

The competition held at King's Park, Bournemouth saw 27 schools competing

with huge numbers of runners in each race.

The Junior Girls having won the area final with a very strong squad were confident of doing well, and they ran away with the title scoring just 65 points, less than half of runners-up Parkstone.

Olivia Willmore was the highest placed

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runner in 9th place with Maddy Herbert and Hannah Bowell also making the top 20 individuals.

Woodroffe, Lyme Regis finished fifth overall with 159 points.

The Junior Boys emulated the girls in also winning the county title. Manny Cox was the first Colfox runner home in 7th with Frankie Chant next in 14th. They scored just 68 points in a close finish from Poole Grammar (84) and Bournemouth School for Boys, just a point further behind.

The Year 7 Boys, also area winners were confident by unsure of the competition. In the end they had to settle for second behind Wimborne's Allenbourn, whose team only amassed 47 points against Colfox's 69. Fin Cauldwell was the standout individual Colfox runner finishing 4th with Mannie Wellman next home in 14th position.

The Inter Boys are a really strong group of



◆ **CLASS ACT:** The Junior Girls who raced away with the county title

◆ **SURPRISE PACKAGE:** The Junior Boys team who were crowned county champions

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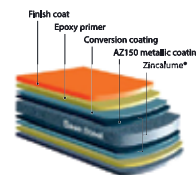
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